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TRANSLATION.

JACOBUS Dei gratia Rex Scotorum omnibus probis hominibus totius terræ ſuæ clericis et laicis ſalutem SCIATIS quia nos jam multo poſt noſtram legitimam et perfectam ætatem viginti quinque annorum omneſque et ſingulas noſtras revocationes tam ſpeciales quam generales et poſt omnia et ſingula noſtra diſſolutionum acta tam poſt actum generalis diſſolutionis noſtræ proprietatis factum in parliamento noſtro et publicis ordinum regni noſtri comitiis habitis Edinburgi menſe Junio anno Domini milleſimo quingenteſimo nonageſimo quarto quam poſt alia diſſolutionum acta præcedentia et prius facta habita ratione vetuſtæ et antiquæ conſtitutionis clariſſimæ urbis noſtræ Perthenſis ſeu burgi noſtri de PERTH per illuſtres noſtros predeceſſores digniſſimæ memoriæ Scotorum Reges in liberam civitatem liberumque regium ac regale burgum magnæque antiquitatis ejuſdem dicti noſtri regii burgi vetuſtate antiquiſſimi ac commodi et amœni ſitus ejuſdem in ipſa media patria et medio regno noſtro conjungentis unam regni noſtri dimidiam partem cum altera dimidia regni noſtri parte in obedientia ſubjectione et obſequio regibus ejuſdem eorumque imperio CONSIDERANTES etiam idem noſtrum burgum regium de Perth omni pacis et belli tempore maxime capax aptiſſimum et commodiſſimum ad publica comitia publicoſque et majores ordinum regni noſtri ad ſubditorum et populorum noſtrorum conventos recipiendos et in quo illuſtres noſtri predeceſſores virique nobiles et clari conſules et alii populares curiæ curialeſque et conſulares conventus ad res determinandas frequentius ab antiqua memoria conveniebant et ubi tempore belli civilis ac hoſtilis et externi convenire opportet In quo etiam burgo noſtro regio illuſtres noſtri prædeceſſores cum ſuis reginis et conjugibus liberis et familiis habitarunt uſi eo idem burgo noſtro regio pro certo domicilio et habitationis ſuæ loco ſedeque belli in omnem occaſionem et in quo burgo noſtro regio omnia parliamenta et comitia publica ordinum regni noſtri olim ab antiqua memoria habebantur cum idem dictum noſtrum burgum de Perth ſit et fuerit in omnes uſus huic regno et imperio noſtro maxime utile et neceſſarium QUEMADMODUM etiam et procuratores ac commiſſionarii cæterorum burgorum regni noſtri ex ſpeciali delegatione cognitionis cauſa a nobis et ordinibus

dinibus regni noſtri per actum parliamenti noſtri comitiorumque publicorum regni noſtri ordinum Omnes ſua ſententia et decreto legitime lato una voce ſine ulla diſcrepantia et diſſentione concluſerunt judicarunt et conſtituerunt dictum noſtrum burgum regium de Perth ac procuratores ac commiſſionarios ejuſdem antiquitatis et dignitatis ordine præferendos villæ de Dundie incoliſque ac procuratoribus et commiſſionariis ejuſdem cenſendoſque loco et dignitate priores et ut in omnibus noſtris ſucceſſorumque noſtrorum parliamentis et publicis ordinum regni comitiis omnibuſque aliis ordinum et burgorum conventibus et conciliis præfatum burgum noſtrum regium de Perth procuratores et commiſſionarii ejuſdem haberent et fruerentur imperpetuum principatu prærogativa priore loco ordine eſſentque in votis et ſuffragiis ferendis priores ante dictam villam de Dundie incolas procuratores et commiſſionarios ejuſdem et ut in eiſdem dicta villa de Dundie incolæ procuratores et commiſſionarii ejuſdem prorſus et omnino cederent præfato noſtro burgo regio de Perth incolis procuratoribus et commiſſionariis ejuſdem antiquitatis et dignitatis ordine prioribus ceſſarentque penitus (ea de cauſa) contendere cum dicto noſtro burgo regio de Perth incolis procuratoribus et commiſſionariis ejuſdem aut ipſos quacunque moleſtia damno aut injuria afficere ipſiſve negotium faceſſere ET QUIA pons dicti noſtri burgi regii de Perth cui ponti nomen pons Taii fluminis eſt præcioſiſſima regni noſtri gemma opuſque unice utile et imprimis neceſſarium toti regno et imperio noſtro et ad cohibendos rebelles ac ad ipſos et vitiis affectos unamque regni noſtri dimidiam partem cum altera dimidia parte ejuſdem in fide obedientia et officio erga nos regeſque regni et imperii noſtri continendos ET QUIA ea de cauſa rationeque plurimorum ſingulorum munerum et egregiorum officiorum a dicto noſtro burgo regio de Perth civibus et incolis ejuſdem ſæpius et diverſis temporibus erga illuſtres noſtros prædeceſſores et in rem regni noſtri publicam in rebus arctis et ſummis anguſtiis præfectorum illuſtres noſtri prædeceſſores Non ſolum dictum noſtrum burgum regium de Perth ſummis beneficiis egregiiſque donationibus libertatibus privilegiis et immunitatibus tam abunde et copioſe cumularunt et ornarunt ut cætera fere beneficia donationes libertates et privilegia cæteris burgis regiis regni noſtri conceſſa pene referantur ad dictum noſtrum burgum de Perth et beneficia in idem prius collata et ab ipſis quaſi pendeant data congruentur Sed etiam dictus pons quaſi publicum et commune

mune regni opus per omnes regni et imperii noſtri ſubditos et populares publicis ſuis communibuſque tributis et impenſis ædificatus et conſtructus ſit ET QUIA ex annuis firmis dicti burgi noſtri regii de Perth extenden. annuatim ad ſummam octoginta librarum monetæ Sterlingorum illuſtres noſtri prædeceſſores ante ullum actum annexationis conceſſerunt per partes et portiones ſummam ſexaginta novem librarum octo ſolidorum et octo denariorum ejuſdem monetæ Sterlingorum in puram et perpetuam elemoſinam priori et conventui de Sanct. Androis abbati et conventui de Scona abbati et conventui de Cambuſkynneth priori et conventui vallis Virtutis prope dictum burgum noſtrum regium de Perth fratribus Dominicalibus ſeu prædicatoribus minoribus et fratribus Carmelitis ſeu albis fratribus dicti noſtri burgi regii de Perth reſpective Et ſimiliter ante ullum annexationis actum dederunt et diſpoſuerunt reſiduum dictarum firmarum burgalium dicti burgi noſtri regii de Perth aldermanno et communitati ejuſdem et ſuis ſucceſſoribus in eadem moneta Sterlingorum ad ſuſtentationem dicti Pontis in puram et perpetuam elemoſinam imperpetuum NOSQUE per noſtram cartam dedimus et conceſſimus hoſpitali et pauperibus dicti noſtri burgi regii de Perth in puram et perpetuam elemoſinam imperpetuum dictas firmas burgales portioneſque earundem prius per dictos illuſtres noſtros prædeceſſores dictis abbatibus prioribus conventibus et fratribus reſpective in puram elemoſinam conceſſas ut præfertur quemadmodum et in annuis innitis et ſubductis rationibus ſeu computis dictarum firmarum burgalium redditus per balivos dicti noſtri burgi regii de Perth et alios ſuo nomine in noſtro ſcaccario coram auditoribus ejuſdem dicti auditores exonerarunt et liberarunt ratiocinantes et computantes de dictis firmis burgalibus per allocationem et approbationem ipſis dictæ ſummæ ſexaginta novem librarum octo ſolidorum et octo denariorum ſolut. et allocat. dictis pauperibus quæ prius de dictis firmis burgalibus ſolvebatur annuatim dictis abbatibus prioribus conventibus et fratribus reſpective ut præfertur et per allocationem ac approbationem dictis ratiocinantibus et computantibus dicti reſidui dictarum firmarum burgalium tanquam conceſſ. de eiſdem dictis firmis burgalibus in elemoſinam ad reparationem et ſuſtentationem dicti pontis prout in rationum noſtrarum codicillis et rotulis ſubſcriptiſque dictarum firmarum burgalium innitis ſubductiſque rationibus et computis plenius continetur ET QUIA in memoria habentes

bentes animoque recolentes bonum fidele et gratuitum ſervitium multas res geſtas plurimaque munera et egregia officia omnibus præteritis quoties ſeſe obtulit occaſio tam belli quam pacis temporibus per dictum burgum noſtrum regium de Perth civeſque et incolas ejuſdem in nos et illuſtres noſtros prædeceſſores honorem et decus patriæ tam in noſtros noſtrorumque prædeceſſorum propriis quam in publicis regni et reipublicæ negotiis impenſa et collata conſtituimus eiſdem reſpondere et ſatisfacere expectata ad eam rem commoditate et occaſione qua poſſemus aliquam ſaltem grati et benevolentis animi noſtri ſignificationem erga dictum noſtrum burgum regium de Perth cives ac incolas ejuſdem et ſuos ſucceſſores dare et expli. are cumque pro parte ſatisfactionis et recompenſationis expediat fitque in rem regni noſtri coronæ et amplitudinis noſtræ multumque valeat in futurum ad excitandos alios ad præſtanda in nos et ſucceſſores noſtros omnia officia ut dictum noſtrum burgum regium de Perth omneſque et ſingulæ donationes beneficia terræ poſſeſſiones cenſus reditus libertates privilegia immunitates commoda accidentia caſualitates et alia quæcunque quocunque tempore dicto noſtro burgo regio de Perth præpoſitis aldermannis balivis conſulibus civibus burgenſibus ac communitati ejuſdem et ſuis ſucceſſoribus dictoque hoſpitali et pauperibus ejuſdem per nos et illuſtres noſtros prædeceſſores alioſque quoſcunque data et conceſſa rata maneant obſervantur et defendantur ornenturque et augeantur pluribus et majoribus immunitatibus cenſibus et redditibus NOS IGITUR ſuadentibus præmiſſis et pro diverſis aliis bonis ac rationi conſentaneis cauſis et conſiderationibus nos moventibus ex noſtra certa ſcientia et proprio motu cum aviſamento conſilio et conſenſu dilectorum noſtrorum fidelium conſiliariorum Domini Davidis Murray de Goſpetrie Militis noſtrarum rationum et computorum præfecti et rotulatoris Joannis Comitis Montroſiæ cancellarii regni noſtri et Magiſtri Joannis Skene clerici rotulorum et regiſtri noſtri NON SOLUM RATIFICAVIMUS et APPROBAVIMUS ac pro nobis et ſucceſſoribus noſtris imperpetuum CONFIRMAVIMUS prout tenore præſentis cartæ noſtræ pro cauſis antedictis cum aviſamento conſilio et conſenſu antedict. RATIFICAMUS at APPROBAMUS ac pro nobis et ſucceſſoribus noſtris imperpetuum CONFIRMAMUS in omnibus et ſingulis ſuis capitibus articulis punctis conditionibus circumſtantiis et clauſulis ſecundum tenorem earundem in omnibus OMNES ET SINGULAS particulares cartas infeofamenta

feofamenta confirmationes decreta indenturas jura titulos ſecuritates literas ſcripta et evidentias ſubſcript. donationes beneficia libertates commoditates immunitates et privilegia in eiſdem content. facta data conceſſa et confirmata per nos et illuſtres noſtros prædeceſſores reges et reginas hujus regni noſtri pro tempore et alios infra ſcriptos prædicto noſtro burgo regio de Perth Præpoſito Aldermannis Balivis Conſulibus Civibus Burgenſibus ac communitati ejuſdem et ſuis ſucceſſoribus dictiſque hoſpitali et pauperibus ac in ipſorum ſeu alicujus favorem ipſorum, viz. CARTAM factam per quondam WILLIELMUM bonæ memoriæ Regem Scotorum fundatorem et inſtauratorem dicti noſtri burgi regii de Perth poſt vaſtationem et ruinas ejuſd. inundatione dicti fluminis et amnis Taii In quaquidem carta ſub figillo magno dicti quondam Willielmi Regis Scotorum PROHIBETUR firmiter Ne quis mercator extraneus infra vicecomitatum noſtrum de Perth extra burgum ſuum de Perth aliquid emat vel vendat ſuper regiam defenſionem ſed extranei mercatores deferant mercaturas ſuas ad dictum burgum ſuum de Perth et ibi eas vendant et denarios ſuos implicent ſi quis vero mercator extraneus ſuper hanc defenſionem inventus fuerit in dicto vicecomitatu de Perth aliquid emens vel vendens ut caperetur et detineretur donec voluntas regia de eo perciperetur PROHIBETUR etiam firmiter Ne quis mercator extraneus ſecet pannum ad vendendum in dicto burgo de Perth niſi a die Aſcenſionis Domini uſque ad vincula Sancti Petri infra quos terminos ipſi ſecarent pannum ſuum ad vendendum in foro de Perth et ibi vendant et emant pannum et alias mercaturas communiter cum burgenſibus regiis ſicut dominici burgenſes ſui (ſalvis rectitudinibus regiis) PROHIBEN. etiam ut omnes qui manent in dicto burgo de Perth et cum burgenſibus regiis ad forum communicare voluerint communicent cum illis ad auxilia regia reddenda cujuſcunque homines ſint PROHIBEN. etiam ne aliqua taberna habeatur in aliqua villa in dicto vicecomitatu de Perth niſi ubi miles ſit dominus villæ et in ea manens et ibi non habeatur niſi una ſola taberna conceden. etiam eiſdem burgenſibus ſuis de Perth ut habeant gildam ſuam mercatricem exceptis fullonibus et telariis PROHIBEN. etiam firmiter ne quis manens extra ſuum burgum de Perth in dicto vicecomitatu de Perth faceret pannum tinctum vel tonſum infra dictum vicecomitatum de Perth nec facere faceret præter burgenſes ſuos de Perth qui eſſent in gilda mercatoria et qui communicarent ad auxilia regia ſolvenda cum burgenſibus regiis de Perth

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(exceptis illis qui de hac libertate cartam ſuam prius uſque in illud tempus habebant) Et ideo firmiter PROHIBEN. ne quis in dicto vicecomitatu de Perth facere præſumeret pannum tinctum vel tonſum ſuper plenariam regiam forisfacturam Si vero alicujus pannus tinctus vel tonſus inventus fuerit factus ſuper defenſionem regiam præcipien. vicecomiti ſuo quatenus caperet pannum et inde faceret ſecundum quod conſuetudo fuit tempore regis David avi ſui conceden. juſte ſuam firmam pacem omnibus illis qui ligna vel materiam attraherent ad dictum burgum ſuum de Perth Et ideo PROHIBEN. ne quis eos diſturbaret ad ea vendenda vel emenda poſtquam infra unam lucam terræ prope dictum burgum ſuum de Perth veniſſent ipſis autem omnes dictas libertates et conſuetudines conceden. et dicta ſua carta confirman. PROHIBEN. etiam firmiter ne quis extraneus extra dictum burgum ſuum de Perth emeret vel venderet coria vel lanam niſi in dicto ſuo burgo de Perth ET SIMILITER cartam confirmationis et donationis factam et conceſſam per quondam ROBERTUM ejus nominis tertium bonæ memoriæ Scotorum Regem ſub ſuo magno ſigillo de data apud Edinburgum quinto die menſis Maii anno regni ſui decimo ratifican. et confirman. dictam priorem cartam in eadem inſertam conceſſam per dictum quondam Willielmum regem ET SIMILITER etiam dan. et conceden. Præpoſito Balivis Burgenſibus ac communitati dicti burgi de Perth et eorum ſucceſſoribus qui pro tempore fuerint imperpetuum ad reparationem emendationem et conſtructionem dicti pontis omnes fines amerciamenta et eſchætas contingen. ſeu contingere valen. quomodolibet de quibuſcunque tranſgreſſionibus ac attemptatis contra tenorem dictæ cartæ in dicta carta confirmationis inſertæ ET SIMILITER cartam feudifirmæ factam per quond. ROBERTUM ejus nominis ſecundum Regem Scotorum ſub ſuo magno ſigillo de data apud Dunfermlyng vigeſimo tertio die Julii anno regni ſui quarto dilectis et fidelibus Aldermanno Burgenſibus et communitati dicti burgi de Perth de toto et integro prædicto ſuo burgo de Perth TENEN. et HABEN. dictis aldermanno burgenſibus et communitati et hæredibus ac ſucceſſoribus ſuis in feodo et hæreditate imperpetuum Per omnes rectas metas et diviſas ſuas cum aquis et ſtagnis multuris molendinis et eorum ſequelis cum inſulis ſuis jacentibus infra aquam de Taia viz. lie Law de Inſcherret Incherray et Sleiples et cum omnibus piſcariis ſuis ad illas inſulas pertinentibus circumquaque ex omni parte et utrolibet ac qualitercunque adjacentibus

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jacentibus et adjacere quomodolibet valentibus in futurum cum piſcaria unius retis inſulæ regiæ Et cum omnibus aliis piſcariis ſuis inſularum dicti burgi de Perth cum annuis redditibus particatarum et burgagiorum firmis toloniis ac parva cuſtuma dicti burgi de Perth Nec non cum moris mareſiis pratis paſcuis et paſturis cum curiis dicti burgi de Perth et earundem curiarum exitibus Et cum omnibus aliis et ſingulis libertatibus commoditatibus aſiamentis ac juſtis pertinen. quibuſcunque ad dictum burgum de Perth ſpectantibus ſeu juſte ſpectare valentibus quomodolibet in futurum tam infra burgum quam extra tam ſubtus terra quam ſupra terram adeo libere quiete plenarie integre et honorifice ſicut aliquis burgus infra regnum noſtrum per quoſcunque ejuſdem quondam Roberti ejus nominis ſecundi Regis Scotorum prædeceſſores ad feudifirmam liberius concedebatur et aſſedabatur ſalvo duntaxat ſibi et hæredibus ſuis magna cuſtuma dicti burgi de Perth REDDENDO ſibi et hæredibus ſuis præfati aldermannus burgenſes et communitas dicti burgi de Perth octoginta libras Sterlingorum ad feſtum Penthecoſtes et Sancti Martini in hieme per portiones æquales tantum pro omni alio ſervitio conſuetudine ac demanda ſalva dicta magna cuſtuma dicti burgi de Perth ut ſupra ET SIMILITER ejuſdem dictæ cartæ feudifirmæ tranſumptum de regiſtro ſub magno ſigillo Sereniſſimi Principis quondam Jacobi Secundi Dei gratia Scotorum Regis Illuſtriſſimi de data apud Edinburgh vigeſimo quinto die menſis Octobris anno regni ſui ſeptimo ET SIMILITER cartam factam per quondam ROBERTUM de BRUCE Regem Scotorum Illuſtriſſimum prædicto burgo de Perth et burgenſibus ejuſdem penes gildam ejuſdem et libertatem mercatoribus dictæ gildæ emendi et vendendi omnia mercimoniorum genera in omnibus locis infra dictum vicecomitatum noſtrum de Perth et præcipue infra aquam de Taia uſque a Drumlay et infra PROHIBEN. ne aliqui extranei mercatores cum navibus aut naviculis mercandiſis oneratis venien. infra dictam aquam de Taia et maxime infra Drumlay præſumant aliquod vendere aut bulcam frangere niſi de licentia mercatorum dicti burgi de Perth PRECIPIEN. quod hujuſmodi mercimonia ipſis ante omnia re ipſa et effectu proferantur ſine dolo ſub amiſſionis pœna rerum venditarum ET SIMILITER literas dicti quondam ROBERTI de BRUCE Regis Scotorum de data apud Reſtennet decimo nono die menſis Junii et regni ſui duodecimo PROPORTAN. quod intelligens burgenſes ſuos dicti burgi de Perth coram Willielmo de Lindſay Camerario Scotiæ apud Dundie

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Rob Bruce 19 June 12 Yr

Dundie die Sabbathi tunc proximo ante feſtum Nativitatis Beati Joannis Baptiſtæ petiiſſe libertatem ſuam quod nulla navis veniens infra Drumlay cum mercandiſis debet exonerari nec frangere bulk quouſque veniat ad dictum pontem dicti burgi de Perth niſi onerata ſit cum bonis manentium in dicta villa de Dundie vel tempore nundinarum de Dundie Ideoque dicto Camerario ſuo mandaſſe quatenus dict. libertatem proclamari faceret et dictos burgenſes ſuos dicti burgi ſui de Perth in eadem juſte manu teneret ET SIMILITER Cartam confirmationis factam per quond. DAVIDEM ejus nominis ſecundum Scotorum Regem Illuſtriſſimum ſub ejus magno ſigillo de data apud Perth decimo die menſis Aprilis anno regni ſui triceſimo ſexto RATIFICAN. et CONFIRMAN. dictam Cartam factam per dictum quondam Willielmum Regem Scotorum et alteram dict. cartam fact. per dict. quondam Robertum de Bruce Scotorum Regem ET SIMILITER Cartam ſeu confirmationem factam per dictum quondam ROBERTUM ejus nominis tertium Scotorum Regem ſub ſuo magno ſigillo de data apud Edinburgh ſexto die menſis Maii anno regni ſui decimo RATIFICAN. et CONFIRMAN. dictas literas conceſſas per dictum quond. Robertum de Bruce Scotorum Regem in eadem carta et confirmatione verbatim inſertas PRECIPIEN. etiam in eadem confirmatione camerariis ſuis Scotiæ quatenus dictam libertatem publice proclamari facerent et dictos burgenſes ſuos juſte manu tenerent in eadem ET SIMILITER Cartam factam per dictum quond. ROBERTUM Regem ejus nominis tertium ſub ſuo magno ſigillo de data apud Linlithgow decimo die menſis Aprilis anno regni ſui quarto Præpoſito burgenſibus et communitati dicti burgi de Perth Quod ipſi et ſucceſſores ſui habeant imperpetuum unum VICECOMITEM de ſuis comburgenſibus inhabitantibus dictum burgum de Perth Quem ipſi Aldermannus et burgenſes ad ſuæ liberæ voluntatis arbitrium et pro quanto tempore voluerint et duxerint elegendum Continen. etiam univerſas poteſtates auctoritates conceſſas eidem vicecomiti ac ſucceſſoribus ſuis et eorum deputatis Necnon CONCEDEN. dictis Aldermanno et burgenſibus ac communitati dicti burgi de Perth Quod habeant et poſſideant imperpetuum omnes fines amerciamenta et quoſcunque alios exitus curiarum dicti vicecomitis infra dictum burgum de Perth terras aquas et alia ad eundem burgum pertinen. et ſuas metas foraque et nundinas dicti burgi de Perth accidentes et accidentia ad ſuſtentationem gubernationem et reparationem dicti pontis de Taia una cum quibuſcunque amerciamentis

David 2. 10 April reg. 36.

Rot 3 Ed: 6 May reg. 10.

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tis et finibus itinerum juſticiariæ infra dictum burgum de Perth et ejus metas contingentibus Ac etiam cum diverſis aliis donationibus libertatibus et privilegiis in eadem carta conceſſis et contentis ET SIMILITER actum deliberationem et declarationem auditorum ſcaccarii in ejuſdem cartæ dorſo ſubſcript. per Ricardum Robertſoun ſubſtitutum Magiſtri Joannis Frafell clerici rotulorum et regiſtri PROPORTAN. quod in ſcaccario Regis Jacobi Quarti tento apud Edinburgh decimo octavo die menſis Junii anno Domini milleſimo quadringenteſimo nonageſimo quarto dicti auditores inſpexerunt eandem cartam et deliberaverunt quod omnia amerciamenta et financiæ itinerum juſticiariæ de Perth ſuper inhabitan. burgi de Perth contingen. perſolvi debeant Aldermannis et Vicecomiti de Perth infra burgum ad reparationem dicti pontis de Taia Et quod ipſi reddant computum de eiſdem ſingulis annis prout continetur in eadem dicta carta Et quod extract. dictorum itinerum dirigantur dicto vicecomiti infra burgum tunc in futurum Et SIMILITER duas ſeparatas cartas factas per dictum quondam ROBERTUM ejus nominis tertium Scotorum Regem ſub ſuo magno ſigillo unam earundem de data apud Lynlythgow decimo die menſis Maii anno Domini milleſimo tricenteſimo nonageſimo ſeptimo et ejus regni anno octavo alteram vero earundem duarum cartarum de data apud caſtrum ſuum de Rotheſay viceſimo octavo die menſis Februarii dicto anno Domini milleſimo tricenteſimo nonageſimo ſeptimo et regni ſui octavo communitati burgenſibus et fratribus gildæ dicti burgi de Perth CONCEDEN. eiſdem liberam et plenam auctoritatem licentiam ac poteſtatem ſpecialem quod ubicunque quandocunque et quotieſcunque ipſorum aliqui vel aliquis invenerint aut invenerit aliquos foriſtellatores infra libertatem ſuam dicti vicecomitatus de Perth ipſi et ipſorum aliqui vel aliquis poſſunt et poſſit capere et arreſtare hujuſmodi foriſtellatores et bona quæcunque per ipſos foriſtellata confiſcare et aſportare libere dan. et conceden. eaſdem confiſcationes et amerciamenta ac bona foriſtellata burgenſibus communitati et fratribus gildæ dicti burgi de Perth hæredibus ſuis et ſucceſſoribus imperpetuum omneſque et ſingulas confiſcationes quorumcunque bonorum per vicecomitem ac burgenſes de Perth confiſcatorum ſeu aſportatorum una cum amerciamentis omnibus et ſingulis foriſtellatorum per dictum vicecomitem aut burgenſes dicti burgi de Perth captorum ſeu arreſtatorum quotieſcunque quandocunque et ubicunque hujuſmodi foriſtellatores coram quocunque judice ſive infra dict.

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vicecomitatum de Perth ſive extra fuerint convicti Idque in puram et perpetuam elemoſinam ad opus et ſuſtentationem dicti pontis de Perth cum diverſis aliis capitibus in eadem carta contentis ET SIMILITER aliam cartam factam per eundem quondam ROBERTUM Regem ejus nominis tertium ſub ſuo magno ſigillo apud Edinburgh penultimo die menſis Januarii anno Domini milleſimo quadringenteſimo quarto annoque regni ſui decimo quinto pro communi et publica regni utilitate dictique pontis ſuſtentatione de Perth cujus ſuſtentatio toti communitati regni neceſſaria exiſtit Aldermanno ac communitati dicti burgi de Perth et ſuis ſucceſſoribus imperpetuum de undecim libris monetæ Sterlingorum reſiduis et ſibi debitis de firmis dicti burgi de Perth tenen. ad ſuſtentationem dicti pontis de Perth in puram et perpetuam elemoſinam percipien. et levan. annuatim de firmis dicti burgi de Perth ad duos anni terminos conſuetos ET SIMILITER cartam factam per dictum quond. ROBERTUM Scotorum Regem ejus nominis tertium ſub ejus ſecreto ſigillo haben. robur ſui magni ſigilli de data apud caſtrum ſuum de Rotheſay quinto die menſis Martii anno regni ſui decimo ſexto penes conceſſionem et confirmationem Aldermanno Balivis conſulibus et decano gildæ dicti burgi de Perth qui pro tempore fuerint ſuæ liberæ poteſtatis auctoritatis et licentiæ ſpecialis faciendi et ordinandi cum conſenſu et aſſenſu fratrum gildæ dicti burgi de Perth ſtatuta ordinationes conſtitutiones et conſuetudines ad hoc faciendum poſt maturas deliberationes communicato ſicut decet totali conſilio dicti burgi de Perth de et ſuper dict. burgum de Perth inhabitantibus ſeu tunc in futurum inhabitaturis cujuſcunque ſtatus ſeu conditionis exiſtant uti valeant contra ſuos vicinos et alios dictum burgum de Perth intravenientes hujuſmodi ſtatuta ordinationes conſtitutiones et conſuetudines infringentium pœnas levare toties quoties ipſis videbitur expediri tam in curia balivorum dicti burgi de Perth quam in curia gildæ ejuſdem et alias ad commodum et utilitatem dicti pontis dicti burgi de Perth ſpecialiter ſuſtendendas continen. etiam diverſas alias libertates capita et articulos ET SIMILITER indenturam de data apud Perth vigeſimo nono die menſis Junii anno Domini milleſimo quadringenteſimo ſexageſimo quarto factam inter aldermannum balivos conſules et communitatem dicti burgi de Perth pro ſe et ſuis ſucceſſoribus ab una et quondam Ricardum Eviot de Ballhouſſie pro ſe hæredibus ſuis et ipſorum aſſignatis ab altera partibus penes ocream lie bute de Ballhouſſie aliaque contenta in eadem indentura ET SIMILITER cartam confirmationis et venditionis factam per quond. Patricium de Ruthven

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Rob 3. p. S. Rothesay 5 March leg. 16.

Ruthven Dominum ejuſd. ſub ſuo ſigillo una cum ſigillo quond. Magiſtri Joannis Dunyng vicarii de Perth per ipſum procurato de data apud Perth viceſimo quarto die menſis Decembris anno Domini milleſimo quadringenteſimo quinquageſimo octavo RATIFICAN. et CONFIRMAN. quaſd. evidentias alias factas et conceſſas Præpoſito Burgenſibus et communitati dicti burgi de Perth ac ſuis ſucceſſoribus per quondam dicti quond. Patricii prædeceſſores et Dominos Willielmum de Ruthven ejus avum et Joannem de Ruthven ſuum patrem Milites de quadam petia terræ cum pertinen. jacen. inter monaſterium Carmelitarum de Tullielum et communem moram dicti burgi de Perth venden. etiam et alienan. eand. etiam dictam petiam terræ cum pertinen. dict præpoſito burgenſibus ac communitati burgi de Perth et ſuis ſucceſſoribus titulo oneroſo tenen. de Domino Rege in feodo et hæreditate imperpetuum renuncian. omni jure quod ad dict. communem moram et præcipue ad lie Catſyde in eadem mora habere poterit cum aliis capitibus et articulis in eadem confirmatione et venditionis carta contentis ET SIMILITER indenturam de data apud Perth viceſimo quarto die menſis Novembris anno Domini milleſimo quadringenteſimo nonageſimo quarto ſub ſigillis et ſubſcriptionibus manualibus quond. Willielmi Domini Ruthven libere tenementarii baroniæ de Ruthven cum pertinen. et quond. Willielmi Ruthven ejus filii et hæredis apparen. feodatarii dictæ baroniæ cum pertinen. factam inter ipſos ab una et præpoſitum balivos conſules et communitatem dicti burgi de Perth et quond. Joannem Eviot de Ballhouſſie ab altera partibus penes aquæductum et aquæ paſſagium ac curſum ad molendina dicti burgi de Perth ejuſd. aquæ clauſuram et retentionem reparationem et ſuſtentationem operis nuncupat. Louſwark cum aliis capitibus in eadem indentura contentis ET SIMILITER cartam fact. per quond. JACOBUM ejus nominis ſecundum Regem Scotorum Illuſtriſſimum noſtrum tritavum ſub ſuo magna ſigillo de data apud Perth viceſimo quinto die menſis Martii anno Domini milleſimo quadringenteſimo quinquageſimo primo et regni ſui decimo ſexto Burgenſibus et communitati dicti burgi de Perth eorumque hæredibus et ſucceſſoribus burgenſibus ejuſdem burgi eximen. exoneran. et liberan. ipſos ſimiliter ab omni ſolutione cuſtumæ talis et pellium vulgaliter dictarum ſchoirlingis ſkaldingis futfaillis lentroun wair lambſkynnis todſkynnis calfſkynnis cunnyngſkynnis ottarſkynnis et fowmartſkynnis in dicta carta mentionat. continen. etiam certas proviſiones penes dict. pelles ac ſali

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ac cuſtumam earundem ET SIMILITER cartam confirmationis fact. per quond. noſtrum avum bonæ memoriæ JACOBUM ejus nominis quintum Regem Scotorum Illuſtriſſimum ſub ſuo magno figillo de data apud Perth decimo die menſis Martii anno Domini milleſimo quingenteſimo viceſimo ſeptimo et regni ſui decimo quinto RATIFICAN. et CONFIRMAN. dictam priorem cartam in ead. inſertam factam per dict. quond. Jacobum Secundum Regem noſtrum tritavum penes dict. exonerationem dictæ cuſtumæ ſalis et pellium antedict. ET SIMILITER omnes et ſingulas cartas et donationes fact. et conceſſ. per illuſtres noſtros prædeceſſores prædicto burgo noſtro de Perth Præpoſitis Balivis Conſulibus et communitati ac ſuis ſucceſſoribus ejuſd. burgi de officio CORONATORIÆ lie crownerſchip in dicto noſtro burgo regio de Perth communitatibus libertatibus et caſualitatibus dicti officii ac jus et proprietatem ejuſd. officii pertinen. ad dictum noſtrum burgum de Perth præpoſitos balivos conſules ac communitatem ejuſd. et ſuos ſucceſſores ſuamque ſuorumque prædeceſſorum ejuſd. officii continuam et ab antiqua memoria vetuſtiſſimam poſſeſſionem documentaque per ipſos deſuper capta ET SIMILITER tres literas unam viz. indentatam de data apud Dunfermlyng viceſimo die menſis Maii anno Domini milleſimo quadringenteſimo quadrageſimo et duas alias patentes non indentatas unam earund. de data apud monaſterium de Dunfermlyng nono die menſis Junii eodem dicto anno Domini milleſimo quadringenteſimo quadrageſimo alteram vero earund. de data apud idem monaſterium de Dunfermlyng decimo ſexto die dicti menſis Junii dicto anno Domini milleſimo quadringenteſimo quadrageſimo omnes dictas tres literas factas per abbatem et conventum dicti monaſterii de Dunfermlyng ſub ipſorum communi figillo præpoſito balivis ac communitati dicti burgi noſtri de Perth et ſuis ſucceſſoribus penes quaſdam conventiones inter ipſos dictoſque abbatem et conventum dicti monaſterii de Dunfermlyng ab una et altera partibus in eiſd. dict. literis mentionat. ET SIMILITER literam confirmationis conceſſam per quond. Jacobum priorem eccleſiæ cathedralis Sancti Andreæ et ejuſd. epiſcopo in remotis agente vicarium generalem et per ejuſd. eccleſiæ capitulum ſub figillo officii dicti vicariatus una cum appenſione figilli communis dicti capituli dictæ eccleſiæ cathedralis Sancti Andreæ de data apud Sanctum Andream tertio die menſis Septembris dicto anno Domini milleſimo quadringenteſimo quadrageſimo ratifican. et confirman. dictas tres literas in ead. confirmationis litera ad longum verbatim inſertas factas per dictos abbatem et conventum

tum de Dunfermlyng dictis præpoſito balivis et communitati dicti noſtri burgi de Perth et ſucceſſoribus ſuis imperpetuum ut præfertur ET SIMILITER omnes et ſingulas fundationes donationes et mortificationes factas per quaſcunque perſonas aut perſonam dicto noſtro burgo de Perth Præpoſitis Aldermannis Balivis Conſulibus decanis gildæ et decanis artium burgenſibus ac hoſpitali et pauperibus ejuſdem dicti burgi noſtri de Perth reſpective de quibuſcunque præbendis præbendariis altaribus altaragiis capellis capellaniis et beneficiis fundat. vel ſituat. in eccleſia parochiali dicti noſtri burgi de Perth vel in quacunque alia eccleſia capella ſeu loco infra libertatem ejuſdem et de jure patronatus earundem et de quibuſcunque terris et annuis reditibus ad ea datis conceſſis aut dotatis et quaſcunque noſtras noſtrorumque prædeceſſorum confirmationes earundem ET SIMILITER duas cartas noſtras factas per nos ſub noſtro magno ſigillo dictis hoſpitali et pauperibus dicti noſtri burgi de Perth et in ipſorum favorem unam earund. de data apud Sanctum Andream nono die menſis Auguſti anno Domini milleſimo quingenteſimo ſexageſimo nono regnique noſtri tertio alteram vero noſtram cartam et donationem de data apud Edinburgum viceſimo nono die menſis Julii anno Domini milleſimo quingenteſimo octuageſimo ſeptimo et regni viceſimo primo debite confirmatam per duo ſpecialia acta parliamentorum noſtrorum et publicorum ordinum regni noſtri comitiorum viz. per unum actum parliamenti ordinumque regni noſtri publicorum comitiorum habitorum Edinburgi dicto viceſimo nono die dicti menſis Julii dicto anno Domini milleſimo quingenteſimo octuageſimo ſeptimo et per alterum actum parliamenti noſtri et ordinum regni noſtri publicorum comitiorum habitorum quinto die menſis Junii anno Domini milleſimo quingenteſimo nonageſimo ſecundo ET SIMILITER decretum datum et latum per dictos commiſſionarios burgorum noſtrorum de data apud dictum burgum noſtrum de Perth vigeſimo primo die menſis Junii anno Domini milleſimo quingenteſimo octuageſimo ſecundo decernentes concludentes et omnes unica voce ſine ulla diſcrepantia et diſſentione ordinantes quemadmodum Et nos hiſce præſentibus tenoreque præſentis cartæ pro nobis et ſucceſſoribus noſtris VOLUMUS DECERNIMUS et ORDINAMUS quod dictus noſter burgus regius de Perth procuratores et commiſſionarii ejuſd. antiquitatis et dignitatis ordine præferantur dictæ villæ de Dundie incoliſque ac procuratoribus et commiſſionariis ejuſdem cenſeanturque illis loco et dignitate priores et ut in omnibus noſtris ſucceſſorumque noſtrorum parliamentis et publicis or-

dinum regni comitiis omnibuſque aliis ordinum et burgorum conventibus et conciliis præfatus burgus noſter regius de Perth procuratores et commiſſionarii habeant et fruantur omni tempore affuturo imperpetuum principatu prærogativa priore loco et ordine ſintque in votis et ſuffragiis ferendis priores ante dict. villam de Dundie incolas procuratores et commiſſionarios ejuſdem et ut in iiſd. dicta villa de Dundie incolæ procuratores et commiſſionarii ejuſdem prorſus et omnino cedant præfato noſtro burgo regio de Perth incolis procuratoribus et commiſſionariis ejuſd. antiquitatis et dignitatis ordine longe prioribus ceſſentque penitus ea de cauſa cum dicto burgo noſtro regio de Perth incolis procuratoribus et commiſſionariis ejuſd. contendere ipſoſve quacunque moleſtia damno aut injuria afficere vel ipſum negotium faceſſere ET SIMILITER omnes et ſingulas cartas et donationes factas et conceſſas per nos et illuſtres prædeceſſores noſtros dicto noſtro burgo regio de Perth Præpoſitis Aldermannis Balivis Conſulibus burgenſibus et communitati ejuſd. et ſuis ſucceſſoribus penes fora et nundinas dicti noſtri burgi regii de Perth Et præſertim quatuor liberas publicas ſpeciales nundinas ejuſd. viz. nundinas Palmarum nundinas æſtatis mediæ nundinas autumnalis Beati Joannis et nundinas brumalis Divi Andreæ lie Palm-Sonday fair Midſummer fair Sanct Johnns fair in harveſt and Sanct Androis fair poteſtates libertates et privilegia eiſd. nundinis conceſſ. SED ETIAM nos pro cauſis antedictis cum aviſamento conſilio et conſenſu antedict. RATIFICAVIMUS APPROBAVIMUS ac pro nobis et ſucceſſoribus noſtris pro perpetuo CONFIRMAVIMUS prout tenore præſentis cartæ noſtræ RATIFICAMUS et APPROBAMUS ac pro nobis et ſucceſſoribus noſtris imperpetuum CONFIRMAMUS omnes et ſingulas alias cartas infeofamenta confirmationes jura titulos ſecuritates literas ſcripta et evidentias quaſcunque donationes libertates commoditates immunitates et privilegia in eiſd. contenta fac. dat. et conceſſ. vel confirmat. per nos noſtroſque illuſtres prædeceſſores hujus regni noſtri Reges et Reginas alioſve fungentes auctoritate pro tempore dicto noſtro burgo regio de Perth Præpoſitis Aldermannis Balivis Burgenſibus conſulibus ac communitati ejuſdem et ſuis ſucceſſoribus dictiſque hoſpitalitati et pauperibus vel ipſorum ſeu alicujus ipſorum favorem cujuſcunque ſint formæ vel formarum contentæ vel contentorum datæ ſive datarum in omnibus et ſingulis ſuis capitibus articulis conditionibus circumſtantiis et clauſulis in eiſd. contentis ſecundum tenorem eorund. in omnibus VOLUMUSQUE ac cum aviſamento conſilio et conſenſu antedict.

tedict. CONCEDIMUS ac pro nobis et ſucceſſoribus noſtris imperpetuum DECERNIMUS et ORDINAMUS quod dicta generalitas minime diroget noceat aut præjudicet dict. ſpecialitati et quod dicta ſpecialitas minime diroget noceat aut præjudicet dict. generalitati Et quod hæc noſtra præſens præmiſſorum confirmatio et approbatio ſit imperpetuum omni tempore futuro tam bona valida et in ſe ſufficiens in omnibus reſpectibus dicto burgo noſtro regio de Perth præpoſitis aldermannis balivis conſulibus burgenſibus ac communitati ejuſd. et ſuis ſucceſſoribus ac ſi dicta generalitas reduceretur ad ſpecialia et ac ſi dict particulares cartæ infeofamenta confirmationes jura tituli ſecuritates literæ ſcripta et evidentiæ ſupra ſpecificat. et cætera præmiſſa aliaque comprehenſa ſub dicta generalitate hic in hac præſenti carta noſtra ad longum verbatim inſererentur non obſtan. quod ratione magni numeri et multitudinis ac longitudinis et prolixitatis eorund. hic minime inſerantur penes quæ nos cum aviſamento conſilio et conſenſu antedict. DISPENSAVIMUS ac pro nobis et ſucceſſoribus noſtris DISPENSAMUS imperpetuum INSUPER NOS cum aviſamento conſilio et conſenſu antedict. abſque tamen damno derogatione et præjudicio dict. priarum cartarum infeofamentorum confirmationum jurium titulorum ſecuritatum literarum ſcriptorum et evidentiarum particulariter ſupra ſpecificat. aliorumque generaliter ſupra mentionat. donationum libertatum commoditatum immunitatum et privilegiorum in eiſd. content. ſed in eorund. majore corroboratione accumulando jura juribus DE NOVO LOCAVIMUS et ad feudifirmam hæreditarie DIMISIMUS ac pro nobis et ſucceſſoribus noſtris imperpetuum CONFIRMAVIMUS prout tenore præſentis cartæ noſtræ DE NOVO LOCAMUS et ad feudifirmam perpetuam hæreditarie DIMITTIMUS ac pro nobis et ſucceſſoribus noſtris imperpetuum CONFIRMAMUS Præpoſito Balivis Conſulibus et burgenſibus ac communitati dicti noſtri burgi de PERTH et ſuis ſucceſſoribus imperpetuum TOTUM et INTEGRUM dictum noſtrum burgum regium de PERTH ejuſdemque burgi mœnia portas foſſas ſtrata calcia plateas vias paſſagia ſtagna pontem portus ac introitus et ædeficia ejuſdem pontis Inſulas auſtralem et borealem territorium molendina terras molendinarias multuras tam aſtrictas quam alia ſervitia ſequelas et alias divorias dict. molendinorum aquæductus et aquarum plauſtra ſive clauſuras lie dams earund. tam clauſtrum ſive clauſuram et inductionem lie dam et intack dicti aquæductus ad dicta molendina vocat Louſwark quam alias et paſſagia dictorum molendinorum aquæductuum et plauſtrorum

plauſtrorum ſive clauſurarum ab omni parte et paſſagia intra et extra communia mœnia dicti burgi de Perth Cum communi mora nuncupata Burgali Mora lie Burrowmure dicti noſtri burgi de Perth tam partem dictæ moræ vocat. lie Catſyde quam cæteras partes ejuſd. moræ omniaque itinera vias actus et paſſagia ad dict. moram et ab eadem Et omnes calcias ſtrata vias itinera actus et paſſagia ex omni parte ducen. ſive ad dictum burgum de Perth ſive ab eod. tam commune iter actum viam et paſſagium ducen. ad aquilonem a dicto noſtro burgo de Perth præter et ſecundum ſuperiora molendina ejuſd. cum duabus longis viis et vico boario lie Long Calſay et Kow Calſay quam aliis omnibus paſſagiis ex omni parte eorund. Cum omnibus libertatibus et privilegiis dicti noſtri burgi de Perth omneſque terras tenementa et annuos reditus jacen. vel levan. infra dict. noſtrum burgum de Perth et libertatem ejuſd. cum ſtagnis lie Speyſtank et paſſagiis ejuſd. et turre lie Spytower portubus et alia communitatem dicti noſtri burgi de Perth Cum dict. inſulis noſtris jacen. infra dict. aquam de Taia viz. lie Law de Inſcherret Inſcherray et Sleiples Et cum omnibus piſcariis noſtris ad illas inſulas pertinen. circumquaque et utrolibet ac qualitercunque adjacentibus aut adjacere quomodo libet valentibus in futurum Cum dicta piſcaria unius retis dictæ inſulæ regiæ Et cum omnibus aliis piſcariis noſtris inſularum dicti burgi noſtri de Perth cum annuis reditibus particatarum et burgagiorum firmis toloniis ac parva cuſtuma dicti noſtri burgi de Perth portarum et portuum ejuſd. commoditatibus privilegiis devoriis et caſualitatibus eorund. dicti noſtri burgi de Perth ac portarum portuum fororum nundinarum viarum et platearum ejuſdem et lie pynorie ac purgationis platearum lie gait dichting et lignorum ac fori lignarii lie tymber et tymber market ſolitis et conſuetis et omnibus cuſtumis et divoriis ſolvi ſeu colligi ſolitis et conſuetis per quaſcunque perſonas aut perſonam pro quocunque genere rerum aut bonorum aſportandorum ad plateas dicti noſtri burgi de Perth ut ibi vendantur Nec non cum moris mareſiis pratis paſcuis et paſturis et curiis dicti burgi de Perth bludewitis amerciamentis eſchætis et exitibus earundem curiarum Et cum omnibus aliis et ſingulis libertatibus commoditatibus proficuis aſiamentis ac juſtis pertinen. quibuſcunque ſpectan. ſeu juſte ſpectare valen. ad dictum noſtrum burgum de Perth in futurum tam intra eundem quam extra tam ſubtus terra quam ſupra terram Et omnibus aliis et ſingulis privilegiis et immunitatibus ac libertatibus ejuſdem et aliis quibuſcunque poſſeſſis quocunque tempore præterito per

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dictum noſtrum burgum de Perth aut incolas ejuſd. ac CUM PRIVILEGIA ET POTESTATE dict. præpoſito balivis conſulibus ac communitati dicti noſtri burgi de Perth et ſuis ſucceſſoribus ædificandi habendi et tenendi infra dictum burgum noſtrum de Perth et libertatem ejuſd. plures molas tam ad ventum quam ad aquam et alios aquæductus aquarum clauſtra et clauſuras torralia uſtrina domos ædificia et alia eiſd. neceſſaria et congruentia pro communi et publica utilitate dicti noſtri burgi de Perth cum hebdomadali foro ſingulis hebdomadalibus bis in ſeptimana unum nempe forum ſingulis diebus Mercurii et alterum ſingulis diebus Saturni una cum quatuor publicis liberis nundinis quatuor in anno unas nundinas ad Dominicum Palmarum ſecundas medio æſtate incipientes a viceſimo quarto die menſis Junii tertias nundinas die Divi Joannis Baptiſtæ incipien. a viceſimo nono die menſis Auguſti et quartas nundinas die Sacri Divi Andreæ incipien. a penultimo die menſis Novembris cum pleno jure haben. et ſervan. dictas quatuor publicas liberas nundinas et curias earund. cum pertinen. pro toto ſpatio et dies ſolitos et conſuetos cum tolloneis cuſtumis devoriis vicecomitum feodis balivorum chirotecis aliiſque accidentibus et caſualitatibus dict. fororum et nundinarum curiarumque earund. ET SIMILITER nos cum aviſamento conſilio et conſenſu antedict. DAMUS et CONCEDIMUS ac pro nobis et ſucceſſoribus noſtris imperpetuum CONFIRMAMUS prædicto burgo noſtro de Perth Præpoſito Balivis Conſulibus ac communitati ejuſd. et ſuis ſucceſſoribus imperpetuum amplam liberam et plenam juriſdictionem libertatem ac privilegium dictæ aquæ de Taia onerandi et exonerandi naves naviculas navigia cymbas et alia vaſa marina quæcunque majora vel minora in quacunque parte portu ſtatione littore ora ripa et margine dictæ aquæ pro ipſorum voluntate et arbitrio a Drumlay et infra Cum plena poteſtate ipſis impedien. et prohiben. alios quoſcunque ab omni oneratione et exoneratione quarumcunque navium navicularum navigiorum cymbarum et aliorum vaſorum marinorum quorumcunque majorum ſeu minorum in quavis parte dictæ aquæ de Tay et in quocunque latere ejuſd. ET cum plenaria poteſtate dict. Præpoſito Balivis Conſulibus Burgenſibus ac communitati dicti noſtri burgi de Perth et ſuis ſucceſſoribus eorum deputatis collectoribus et ſervitoribus eorum nomine duntaxat et nullis aliis percipiendi levandi recipiendi et colligendi omnes parvas cuſtumas anchoragia et portuum pecunias tributa ac devorias et alias devorias quaſcunque infra dict. bondas dictæ aquæ de Taia adeo libere in omnibus reſpectibus ut burgus noſter de Edinburgh percipit et levat apud villam de Leyth et ut

liberius talia percipiuntur et levantur per aliquem alium liberum burgum regalem aut aliquem alium perſonam apud quemcunque portum maritimum infra regnum noſtrum EXIMEN. ſimpliciter et omnino omnes et ſingulas naves naviculas navigia cymbas et alia vaſa marina quæcunque majora et minora reſque omnes et bona quæcunque pertinen. vel quæ quocunque tempore futuro pertinebunt ad dictum noſtrum burgum de Perth Præpoſitos Balivos Conſules Cives Burgenſes communitatem et incolas ejuſd. ac ſuos ſucceſſores vel ad ipſorum aliquem vel ad quoſcunque peregrinos ſeu extraneos venientes infra dict. aquam de Tay infra Drumlay ab omni inde aut pro iiſdem ſolutione quacunque cauſa pertuaſione aut occaſione cujuſcunque taxationis tributi vectigalis cuſtumæ impoſitionis exactionis anchoragii portuum et cadorum ſeu doleorum pecuniis lie ſchoirſylver et tunſylver parvarum cuſtumarum aut aliarum divoriarum quarumcunque quibuſcunque cauſis factis aut occaſionibus præteritis præſentibus aut futuris Præpoſitis Balivis Conſulibus communitati et incolis dictæ villæ de Dundie et ſuis ſucceſſoribus vel eorum alicui ſuiſve portitoriis ſeu cuſtumariis collectoribus ſerjandis aut officiariis vel quibuſcunque aliis perſonæ aut perſonis quæ duntaxat ſolventur dicto noſtro burgo de Perth et communi cenſui ejuſd. percipienturque levabuntur colligentur et recipientur per dictos præpoſitos balivos conſules burgenſes ac communitatem dicti noſtri burgi de Perth et ſuos ſucceſſores ipſorum deputatos collectores et ſerjandos eorum nomine tantummodo et per nullos alios excepta magna cuſtuma eorund. nobis et ſucceſſoribus noſtris ſolvenda QUEMADMODUM etiam et ea ratione eoque reſpectu et quia dicta juriſdictio libertas et privilegium dictæ aquæ de Tay et jus ejuſd. infra ejuſd. bondas præſcript. pertinent et pertinet ſolum ad dict. burgum noſtrum de Perth ut præfertur Nos cum aviſamento conſilio et conſenſu antedict. pro nobis et ſucceſſoribus noſtris tenore præſentis cartæ noſtræ firmiter PRÆCIPIMUS et MANDAMUS dictis præpoſito balivis conſulibus communitati ac incolis dictæ villæ de Dundie et ſuis ſucceſſoribus ipſorum portitoribus ſeu cuſtumariis collectoribus ſerjandis et officiariis aliiſque nunciis et officiariis quibuſcunque ne ipſi aut Eorum aliquis aut quivis alius eorum nomine præſumat conetur aut in ſe ſuſcipiat quocunque tempore in futurum moleſtare vexare impedire prohibere tardare aut arreſtare quemvis civem burgenſem aut incolam dicti burgi noſtri de Perth præſentem aut futurum vel aliquam navem

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naviculam navigium cymbam aut aliud vas marinum quodcunque majus vel minus res vel bona quæcunque pertinen. ad ipſos vel ad aliquem ipſorum vel ad quemvis extraneum ſeu peregrinum venientem infra dict. aquam de Tay infra Drumlay vel capere petere exigere colligere levare vel recipere inde vel ea ratione vel pro ipſis eorumve aliqua parte quamcunque taxationem vectigale tributum cuſtumam impoſitionem exactionem anchoragium portuum pecunias doliorum pecunias parvarum cuſtumarum vel aliam devoriam quamcunque ob quamcunque cauſam factum aut occaſionem præſentem præteritam aut futuram vel alias quovis modo impedire prohibere directe aut indirecte in onerando ſeu exonerando he to lois and laid apud quemcunque portum ſtationem littus aut partem ubicunque voluerint infra dict. aquam de Tay et præſertim infra Drumlay ipſiſque et Ipſorum ſingulis INTERDICIMUS eiſdem omnique inde aut ea ratione devoria et exactione ſimpliciter nunc et in futurum PROHIBEMUS etiam et INHIBEMUS ſimpliciter ne extranei mercatores venientes cum navibus naviculis navigiis cymbis aut aliis vaſis marinis majoribus aut minoribus oneratis mercibus ſeu mercandiſis infra dictam aquam de Tay et præcipue infra Drumlay aut eorum aliquis præſumant aut præſumat aliquid vendere ſeu bulcam frangere dum et donec cum eiſd. venerint ad dict. pontem de Tay et quod nulla navis navicula navigium cymba aut aliud vas marinum veniens infra Drumlay cum mercibus aut mercimoniis exoneretur ſeu bulcam frangat donec venerint ad dict. pontem dicti noſtri burgi de Perth (niſi onerentur cum bonis manentium in dicta villa de Dundie vel tempore nundinarum de Dundie) ſed tantum de licentia conſulum et fratrum gildiæ dicti burgi noſtri de Perth Quibus ante omnia et præ aliis eædem merces et bona re ipſa et cum effectu offerentur vendenda tam vili et commodo prætio quo iis eorundem emptionem recuſantibus continget ead. aliis vendi omni dolo et fraude remotis ſub pœna amiſſionis et confiſcationis rerum ſic venditarum quorum eſchæta et confiſcatio pertinebit ad communem cenſum ſeu bonum publicum dicti noſtri burgi de Perth dabiturque et convertetur ad reparationem et ſuſtentationem dicti pontis de Tay ET SIMILITER cum aviſamento conſilio et conſenſu antedict. DAMUS et CONCEDIMUS ac pro nobis et ſucceſſoribus noſtris imperpetuum CONFIRMAMUS dict. officium CORONATORIS ſeu CORONATORIÆ dicto noſtro burgo de Perth Præpoſitis Balivis Conſulibus ac Communitati ejuſd. ac ſuis ſucceſſoribus quod

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ipſi et dicti ſui ſucceſſores habeant imperpetuum omni tempore affuturo in eodem burgo libertate et juriſdictione ejuſd. in omnibus itineribus juſticiariis juſticiariiſque curiis et aliis temporibus quibuſcunque coronatores de ſuis comburgenſibus inhabitantibus dict. noſtrum burgum de Perth quos dicti præpoſiti balivi ac conſules ejuſd. et ſui ſucceſſores elegerint annuatim vel pro quanto tempore voluerint et duxerint elegendos PRÆCIPIEN. et MANDAN. noſtri noſtrorumque ſucceſſorum juſticiariis earumque deputatis coronatoribus et aliis officiariis et nunciis quibuſcunque infra regnum noſtrum præſentibus et futuris ne ipſorum quiſpiam præſumat in futurum negotium faceſſere moram aut impedimentum facere dicto noſtro burgo de Perth civibus ſeu burgenſibus aut incolis ejuſd. in functione uſu executione dicti officii coronatoris vel perceptione ſeu levatione commodorum proficuorum accidentium ſeu caſualitatum ejuſd. officii vel uſurpere dict. officium coronatoris contra dict. noſtrum burgum de Perth cives burgenſes et incolas ejuſd. vel eorum quemlibet in futurum in mandando citando iſtendo arreſtando vexando aut moleſtando eorum quemlibet quocunque modo PROHIBEN. et EXAUTERAN. ipſos omneſque nuncios regni inſignia gerentes et alios nuncios quoſcunque de eiſdem ſuaque functione munere aut officio in hac parte imperpetuum cum libera et plenaria facultate et poteſtate præfatis præpoſitis balivis conſulibus civibus burgenſibus ac communitati dicti noſtri burgi de Perth et ſuis ſucceſſoribus omnibus temporibus futuris quando et quoties conventus juridici ſeu itinera juſticiaria curiæ juridicæ ſeu juſticiariæ tenebuntur et habebuntur infra dict. noſtrum burgum de Perth ſeu libertatem ejuſd. ut armati et armato præſidio ſervent et cuſtodiant prætorium et alia loca in quibus dict. juridicos conventus ſeu itinera juſticiariæ juridicas ſeu juſticiarias curias haberi contingent paſſagia ingreſſus oſtia fores et gradus eorund. abſque ullo impedimento aut negotio ipſis ea de cauſa faciendo quemadmodum et re ipſa ipſi et prædeceſſores ſui omni tempore præterito fuerunt in continuo uſu et pacifica poſſeſſione ejuſd. privilegii ſuntque ſine ulla interruptione ead. freti et gaviſi ET SIMILITER nos cum aviſamento conſilio et conſenſu antedict. DAMUS et CONCEDIMUS ac pro nobis et ſucceſſoribus noſtris imperpetuum CONFIRMAMUS officium VICECOMITIS dicto noſtro burgo de Perth ac dictis Præpoſitis Balivis Conſulibus ac Communitati ejuſd. et ſuis ſucceſſoribus et quod ipſi dictique ſui ſucceſſores habeant unum VICECOMI-

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TEM de ſuis comburgenſibus inhabitantibus dict. noſtrum burgum de Perth quem dicti præpoſiti balivi conſules et ſui ſucceſſores ad ſuæ liberæ voluntatis arbitrium ſingulis annis ac pro quanto tempore ſibi placuerit voluerint et duxerint eligendum Qui vicecomes et ſucceſſores ſui vicecomites dicti noſtri burgi de Perth pro tempore habebunt per hanc noſtram cartam noſtram ſucceſſorumque noſtrorum plenam et liberam poteſtatem et auctoritatem adminiſtrandi regendi et gubernandi plenum et integrum officium vicecomitis infra dict. noſtrum burgum de Perth et infra totam dict. aquam de Taia ex utroque latere et parte ejuſd. a Drumlay et infra et in omnibus terris aquis et aliis locis ad dict. noſtrum burgum de Perth libertatem ſeu juriſdictionem ejuſd. quocunque modo pertinen. et ſervandi defendendi dicta fora ac publicas liberas nundinas et eorum curias tranſgreſſores juſte corrigendi et debite puniendi eſchætas amerciamenta commoditates exitus fines et proficua inde provenientia levandi et ſervandi Quos exitus fines commoditates accidentia et caſualitates dicti officii coronatoris et quas eſchætas amerciamenta fines caſualitates commoditates et exitus veniend de dicto officio vicecomitis cum omnibus exitibus curiarum dict. vicecomitis infra dict. noſtrum burgum de Perth et aquam de Taia terras aquas et alia loca ad dict. noſtrum burgum de Perth quocunque modo pertinen. et infra territorium libertatem et juriſdictionem dicti noſtri burgi de Perth et quæcunque amerciamenta eſchætas fines et exitus juſticiæ et juſticiariæ itinerum ac curiarum infra dict. noſtrum burgum de Perth terras territorium et juriſdictionem ejuſd. toties contingent una cum eſchætis mulctis et amerciamentis quarumcunque perſonarum civium burgenſium vel inhabitantium infra dict. burgum noſtrum de Perth quos continget condemnari aut convinci pro quocunque crimine facto injuria offenſa vel occaſione quocunque tempore futuro coram præfecto ac quæſitore primario rerum capitalium ſeu juſticiario generali vel ſuis deputatis vel quibuſcunque aliis judicibus aut judice infra regnum noſtrum vel pro eiſdem aut eorum metu fugam capeſcere aut fugitivos eſſe continget quoſve ſibi ipſis mortem conſciſcere ſeu manus inferre confoſſione laqueo ſeu ſuſpendeo dimerſione veneno vibratione collubrinarum ſuffocatione vel alio quocunque modo ſibi ipſis vitam adimere vel præbere occaſionem aut cauſam ſuæ propriæ mortis quocunque medio ſeu modo Nos pro nobis et ſucceſſoribus noſtris DAMUS CONCEDIMUS et DISPONIMUS præfatis Præpoſito Balivis Conſulibus ac Communitati dicti noſti burgi de Perth et ſuis ſucceſſoribus imperpetuum ad auxilium reparationem

tionem et ſuſtentationem dicti pontis de Taia dictique burgi noſtri de Perth et aliorum publicorum operum ejuſd. imperpetuum Cum poteſtate dicto vicecomiti infra dict. noſtrum burgum de Perth pro tempore ſubſtituendi ſub ſe deputatos unum vel plures pro quibus reſpondere tenebitur Qui vicecomes et ſui deputati tenebuntur annuatim reddere rationes et computa ſua coram auditoribus ſcaccarii pro tempore ſecundum uſum et conſuetudinem MANDAN. et PRÆCIPIEN. tenore præſentium quæſitoribus primariis rerum capitalium ſeu juſticiariis generalibus et eorum deputatis quibuſcunque dictiſque coronatoribus et vicecomitibus et ipſorum deputatis pro tempore aliiſque judicibus quibuſcunque præſentibus et futuris infra regnum noſtrum ab omnibus aliis et ſingulis noſtris noſtrorumque officiariis et ſucceſſorum noſtrorum miniſtris aliiſque quorum intereſt vel intereſſe poterit Quatenus dictos præpoſitos balivos conſules ac communitatem dicti noſtri burgi de Perth et ſuos ſucceſſores ad præmiſſa in omnibus expedienda exercenda exequenda levanda importanda et defendenda protegant defendant fortificent et manu teneant eiſdemque auxilium conſilium et laborem præſtent prompteque reſpondeant pareant et intendant faciantque ut ipſis prompti pareatur reſpondeatur et ſatisfiat de omnibus proficuis commoditatibus et caſualitatibus dict. officiorum coronatoris et vicecomitis de dictis finibus exitibus eſchætis mulctis et amerciamentis dict. juſticiarii itinerum et curiarum tenen. in quacunque parte regni noſtri ſuper dict. civibus et incolis dicti noſtri burgi de Perth ſeu ipſorum quocunque crimine facto injuria vel offenſa ut præfertur præcipien. ſimiliter omnibus et ſingulis quorum intereſt aut intereſſe poterit ſub omni pœna quæ inde ſequi poterit quatenus prompte reſpondeant pareant et intendant dict. coronatoribus et vicecomitibus dicti burgi noſtri de Perth et ſuis deputatis pro tempore in omnibus et ſingulis dicta officia coronatoris et vicecomitis concernen. vel ad ead. ſpectan. ſeu ſpectare valen. ET SIMILITER nos pro nobis et ſucceſſoribus noſtris cum aviſamento conſilio et conſenſu antedict. DAMUS et CONCEDIMUS ac pro nobis et ſucceſſoribus noſtris imperpetuum CONFIRMAMUS GILDAM officium et functionem ejuſdem dicto noſtro burgo de Perth civibus ac burgenſibus ejuſd. et ſuis ſucceſſoribus (exceptis fullonibus et telariis) Et ut habeant ſuam gildam mercatoriam decanum gildæ gildæque conſilium et ut elegant annuatim ſuum decanum gildæ et ejus conſilium cum omnibus commoditatibus ad ead. ſpectan. PROHIBEN. et INHIBEN. etiam quod nullus mercator vel alius quicunque

quicunque extra libertatem dicti noſtri burgi de Perth infra vicecomitatum noſtrum de Perth per terram mare vel aquam emat vel vendat aliquam annonam victualia mercimonia mercandiſas vel alias merces quaſcunque ſed ut eam deferant ad dict. noſtrum burgum de Perth et ibi ead. vendant ibique denarios et pecunias ſuas implicent emptioneque venditione ſeu permutatione utantur Et quod nulla taberna habeatur in aliqua villa in dicto noſtro vicecomitatu de Perth niſi ubi miles ſit dominus villæ et in ea manens et ibi non habeatur niſi una ſola taberna Et quod nemo extra dict. noſtrum burgum de Perth in dicto noſtro vicecomitatu de Perth manens faciat ſeu facere præſumat vel facere faciat pannum tinctum mixtum vel tonſum præter cives et burgenſes dicti noſtri burgi de Perth in gilda mercatoria ejuſd. et qui communicant cum ipſis in omnibus auxiliis et oneribus ferendis PRÆCIPIEN. et INHIBEN. etiam dictis vicecomitibus dicti noſtri burgi de Perth et ſuis deputatis præſentibus et futuris quatenus capeant omnem talem pannum ubicunque apprehendi poſſit et inde faciant et ſuper eo diſponant pro arbitrio et voluntate MANDAN. et PRÆCIPIEN. etiam quod nemo infra dict. noſtrum vicecomitatum de Perth emat vel vendat ligna materiam corticem pelles coria linum lanam mercimonia ſal vinum ceram vel alias merces aut bona ſtabilia lie ſtapill gudis ſarſinas aut onera conſtringat decorticet corticibus vel calce pellis aut coria tondeat vel maceret lie to pack or peill bark or lyme ſkynnis or hydis niſi infra dictum noſtrum burgum de Perth et libertatem ejuſd. ſed ut ead. bona deferant ad dict. noſtrum burgum de Perth eademque exhibeant et producant publice vendenda in aperto et publico foro ejuſd. PROHIBEN. ne quis extraneus mercator qui non fuerit cives et liber burgenſis dict. noſtri burgi de Perth ſecet pannum ſuum ad vendendum in dicto noſtro burgo de Perth niſi a die Aſcenſionis Domini uſque ad vincula Sancti Petri infra quos terminos volumus ut ipſi ſecent pannum ſuum ad vendendum in dictis æſtivis publicis nundinis dicti noſtri burgi de Perth Incipien. a dicto viceſimo quarto die menſis Junii et ibi vendant et emant pannum et alias mercaturas ſuas communiter cum noſtris civibus et burgenſibus ſicuti noſtri burgenſes regii ſalvis nobis et ſucceſſoribus noſtris rectitudinibus noſtris MANDAN. et PRÆCIPIEN. etiam ut omnes manentes in dicto noſtro burgo de Perth præſentes et futuri qui quorumve familiæ inſtruentur ſupplebuntur vel ſuppeditabuntur ex foris et marcellis vel per fora et marcella dict. noſtri

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burgi de Perth vel quos continget vendere aut emere annonam victualia aliamenta aut alias merces quaſcunque infra dictum noſtrum burgum de Perth vel in marcellis vel foris ejuſd. quod communicent auxiliaque et onera ferant cum omnibus burgenſibus dicti noſtri burgi de Perth et ſuis ſucceſſoribus in lie watching warding ſkotting lotting ſtenting taxationum impoſitionum et contributionum ſolutione et alias ET SIMILITER nos cum aviſamento conſilio et conſenſu antedict. tenore præſentis cartæ noſtræ DAMUS CONCEDIMUS ac pro nobis et ſucceſſoribus noſtris imperpetuum CONFIRMAMUS dictis Præpoſitis Balivis Conſulibus Decanis gildæ dicti noſtri burgi de Perth et ſuis ſucceſſoribus pro tempore noſtram ſucceſſorumque noſtrorum liberam et plenam poteſtatem auctoritatem et licentiam faciendi et ordinandi cum conſenſu et aſſenſu fratrum gildæ dicti noſtri burgi de Perth poſt maturas deliberationes communicato ſicut decet ejuſd. burgi frequenti ſenatu ſeu totali conſilio ſtatuta ordinationes et conſtitutiones de et ſuper dict. eund. burgum noſtrum de Perth inhabitantibus ſeu in futurum inhabitaturis cujuſcunque ſtatus aut conditionis fuerint et ut queant et valeant uti et exequi eadem ſtatuta conſtitutiones et ordinationes libere et quiete per ſe ſine conditione coertione aut conſilio alicujus alterius judicis aut judicum eccleſiaſticorum aut ſecularium contra ſuos concives et vicinos et alios dict. burgum de Perth inhabitantes ſeu inhabitaturos infringentes contravenientes et tranſgredientes dicta ſtatuta ordinationes et conſtitutiones citandi conveniendi proſequendi mulctandi amerciandi et puniendi tam in balivorum et gildæ curiis quam aliis curiis quibuſcunque dicti noſtri burgi de Perth levandique ipſorum pœnas mulctas et amerciamenta ead. applicandi et convertendi ad adjumentum emendationem reparationem et ſuſtentationem dicti noſtri burgi de Perth dictique pontis et aliorum communium et publicorum operum ejuſd. QUÆ STATUTA ordinationes conſtitutiones et conſuetudines fact. et ordinat. facien. et ordinan. per dictos præpoſitos balivos conſules et decanum gildæ dicti noſtri burgi de Perth et dictos ſuos ſucceſſores præſentes et futuros ut præfertur ad commodum et utilitatem dicti noſtri burgi de Perth dictique pontis Taii ejuſd. ut præfertur NOS cum aviſamento conſilio et conſenſu antedict. RATIFICAMUS APPROBAMUS ac tenore præſentis cartæ noſtræ pro nobis et ſucceſſoribus noſtris imperpetuum CONFIRMAMUS in omnibus et ſingulis ſuis punctis conditionibus clauſulis et articulis VOLUMUSQUE AC pro nobis et ſucceſſoribus noſtris DECLARAMUS

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et DECERNIMUS quod. ead. pro legibus legumque loco ſtent habeantque legum vim robur et auctoritatem omni tempore futuro imperpetuum ET SIMILITER cum aviſamento conſilio et conſenſu antedict. pro nobis et ſucceſſoribus noſtris tenore præſentis cartæ noſtræ DAMUS CONCEDIMUS et imperpetuum CONFIRMAMUS communitati civibus burgenſibus et fratribus gildæ dicti noſtri burgi de Perth et ſuis ſucceſſoribus imperpetuum liberam et plenam poteſtatem auctoritatem licentiam ſpecialem quod ubicunque quandocunque et quotieſcunque ipſorum aliqui vel aliquis invenerint aut invenerit aliquos foriſtellatores infra dict. burgum noſtrum de Perth vel libertatem ejuſd. vel infra dict. noſtrum vicecomitatum de Perth bondas libertatem vel juriſdictionem ejuſd. Quod ipſi vel ipſorum aliqui vel aliquis poſſint et poſſit capere et arreſtare hujuſmodi foriſtellatores et bona quæcunque per ipſos foriſtellata eademque confiſcare eſchætare et aſportare libere abſque licentia ſeu auctoritate cujuſcunque judicis aut judicum vel alicujus noſtri aut ſucceſſorum noſtrorum miniſtrorum aut officiariorum vel aliorum quorumcunque Et quia bona ſic foriſtellata et recepta contra leges et conſuetudinem patriæ noſtræ inhibitioneſque regias et edicta confiſcari debent et ut eſchæta ad nos et ſucceſſores noſtros noſtro jure regio pertinere ſicut et bona foriſtellata et amerciamenta foriſtellatorum dicti noſtri burgi de Perth debent jure noſtro et conſuetudine confiſcari et ut eſchæta ad nos et ſucceſſores noſtros pertinere NOS igitur cum aviſamento conſilio et conſenſu antedict. DEDIMUS et CONCESSIMUS ac pro nobis et ſucceſſoribus noſtris imperpetuum CONFIRMAVIMUS prout tenore præſentis cartæ noſtræ DAMUS et CONCEDIMUS ac pro nobis et ſucceſſoribus noſtris imperpetuum CONFIRMAMUS præfatis civibus burgenſibus communitati ac fratribus gildæ dicti noſtri burgi de Perth et ſuis ſucceſſoribus in puram et perpetuam elemoſinam imperpetuum ad reparationem et ſuſtentationem dicti pontis dicti noſtri burgi de Perth imperpetuum Non ſolum dictas confiſcationes eſchætas mulctas et amerciamenta ac quæcunque bona confiſcata eſchætata et capta vel quæ quocunque tempore futuro confiſcabuntur eſchætabuntur et capientur per dictos communitatem burgenſes fratres gildæ balivos et vicecomites dicti noſtri burgi de Perth vel ipſorum aliquem cum amerciamentis mulctis et eſchætis omnium foriſtellatorum captorum et arreſtatorum vel qui capientur aut arreſtabuntur dictos communitatem vicecomites cives burgenſes ac fratres gildæ dicti noſtri burgi de Perth et ſuos ſucceſſores vel ipſorum aliquem

quotieſcunque quandocunque et ubicunque hujuſmodi foriſtellatores damnabuntur aut comvincentur coram quibuſcunque judicibus aut judice eccleſiaſticis et ſecularibus capitalibus criminalibus vel civilibus infra dict. vicecomitatum de Perth ſeu extra eund. vic. in quacunque parte regni noſtri Sed etiam omnes fines amerciamenta et eſchætas contingen. ſeu contingere valen. quomodolibet in futurum virtute hujus noſtræ præſentis cartæ et infeofamenti vel alicujus capitis articuli ſeu clauſulæ ejuſd. de quibuſcunque tranſgreſſionibus et attemptatis contra tenorem ejuſd. aut aliarum cartarum præmiſſarum aut alicujus præmiſſorum vel propter violationem tranſgreſſionem aut contraventionem dict. ſtatutorum ordinationum conſtitutionum et conſuetudinum vel alicujus ipſorum mandan. et præcipien. omnibus et ſingulis noſtris noſtrorumque ſucceſſorum liegiis ſubditis camerariis rerum capitalium quæſitoribus ſeu juſticiariis præfectis juridicis ſeu vicecomitibus ſeneſcallis et eorum deputatis coronatoribus et aliis judicibus magiſtratibus et officiariis quibuſcunque præſentibus et futuris quod ipſi et ipſorum quilibet quoties ad id requiſiti fuerint adjuvent auxilientur fortificent protegant manu teneant et defendant dictos Præpoſitos Balivos Vicecomites vicecomitum deputatos gildas gildæ Decanos inhabitantes ac communitatem dicti noſtri burgi de Perth et ſuos ſucceſſores pro tempore in omnibus et per omnia et ad expedienda exercenda exequenda levanda importanda et defendenda præmiſſa eiſdemque auxilium conſilium et laborem præſtent prompte reſpondeant pareant intendant penes præmiſſa expeditionem et executionem eorundem omnium dictarum donationum libertatum privilegiorum aliorumque in hac præſenti carta noſtra mentionat. CUMQUE Pons Iernius lie Brig of Erne qui libertate et charitate eccleſiaſticorum et beneficiatorum fuit pro tempore conſtructus et ſuſtentatus uſque ad tempus veræ Reformationis religionis in regno noſtro nunc cum calceis plateis et viis eidem ab utroque fine adjacentibus magna vi fluminis et inundationis aquarum tendat in ruinam fitque ruinoſus et magna pars lapidum et columnarum ejuſd. ſoluta concuſſa et quaſſata magnaque pars fornicum operiſque concamerati in omnibus partibus ejuſd. pontis jam deficere ſubſidere et cadere fitque jam idem pons in eo ſtatu et conditione ut idem ſi in tempore et tempeſtive non reficiatur et reparetur prorſus et omnino cadat deficiat et periturus ſit in grave damnum et detrimentum totius reipublicæ nec leve impedimentum et incommodum nobis et ſucceſſoribus noſtris in omni ſubditorum obſequio ſervitio et offi-

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ciis belli præſertim tempore cum idem pons ſecundum et proxime dict. pontem Perthenſem dicti fluminis et amnis Taii ſit unica parata via ſeu paſſagium omnibus ſubditis noſtris ad boreales partes et plagas regni noſtri et ab eiſd. tam montanis quam inferioribus ſibi ſubjectis Et quod propterea idem pons Iernius habeatur et habendus ſit neceſſaria pars appendix et pendicula dicti burgi noſtri de Perth dictique pontis Taii ejuſd. et quod ea ratione inhabitantes dict. noſtri burgi de Perth pro tempore debeant eſſe voluntque eſſe maxime anxii et ſoliciti ad reficiendum reparandum et ſuſtentandum eund. pontem Iernium vias plateas et calcias ejuſd. cumque idem minime queat reparari aut refici in quacunque modica ſeu mediocri conditione aut ſtatu ſtatui ſine magnis ſumptibus et pecuniarum ſummis et perpetuis ad eum effectum annuis vectigalibus et tributis ſubſequentibus NOS igitur cum aviſamento conſilio et conſenſu antedict. DEDIMUS CONCESSIMUS ac pro nobis et ſucceſſoribus noſtris imperpetuum CONFIRMAVIMUS prout tenore præſentis cartæ noſtræ DAMUS CONCEDIMUS ac pro nobis et ſucceſſoribus noſtris imperpetuum CONFIRMAMUS dicto noſtro burgo de Perth Præpoſitis Balivis Conſulibus civibus burgenſibus ac communitati ejuſd. et ſuis ſucceſſoribus imperpetuum tanquam neceſſariam partem appendicem et pendiculam dicti noſtri burgi de Perth dictique pontis Taii ejuſd. dictum pontem Iernium vias plateas et calcias ejuſd. cum pertinen. omneſque commoditates eorund. omniaque ad ead. reparationem et ſuſtentationem eorund. pertinen. ET SIMILITER pro meliori et commodiori refectione reparatione et ſuſtentatione earund. perpetua vectigalia tributa et devoria ſubſequen. viz. duos denarios ſolven. pro unoquoque equite ſingulis temporibus ſui tranſitus ſeu paſſagii per dictum pontem Iernium Unum denarium ſolven. per ſingulos pedites ſingulis temporibus ſui tranſitus et paſſagii per eundem pontem Iernium Duos denarios pro ſingulis jumentorum oneribus ſeu ſarcinis annonæ ſeu victualium Unum denarium pro unoquoque jumenti onere ſalis piſcium pultrearum aut id genus aliorum Unum denarium pro unoquoque equo aut jumento Unum denarium pro unoquoque bove aut vacca et id genus aliquo Unum denarium pro ſingulis quatuor ovibus Quatuor denarios pro unoquoque jumenti onere quarumcunque mercium Pro una quaque ſarſina unum denarium Et pro omnibus aliis rebus paria et ſimilia tributa ac vectigalia conſueta quocunque tempore præterito ſolvi apud dict. pontem Iernium MANDAN. et PRÆCIPIEN. omnibus et ſingulis noſtris ſucceſſorumque noſtrorum liegiis ſubditis et ſubjectis quod ipſi et ipſorum quilibet

bet per dict. pontem Iernium tranſeuntes reſpondeant pareant et ſolvant toties quoties dictis Præpoſitis Balivis Conſulibus ac Communitati dicti burgi noſtri de Perth et ſuis ſucceſſoribus eorum collectoribus delegatis et deputatis dicta tributa et vectigalia et devorias deſignat et deſtinat ad refectionem reparationem et ſuſtentationem dicti pontis Iernii viarum platearum calciarum et portarum ejuſd. Et quod nemo præſumat aut in ſe ſuſcipiat ead. impedire aut ipſis moram facere negotiumve faceſcere directe aut indirecte ET SIMILITER nos cum aviſamento conſilio et conſenſu antedict. pro nobis et ſucceſſoribus noſtris tenore præſentis cartæ noſtræ EXIMIMUS et LIBERAMUS imperpetuum dictos Præpoſitos Balivos Vicecomites conſules burgenſes communitatem ac inhabitantes dict. noſtrum burgum de Perth libertatemque ejuſd. et ſuos ſucceſſores ab omni inquiſitione et aſſiſa omnique coexactione et adactione ut ſint ſuper aliqua inquiſitione vel aſſiſa minimeque ad eum effectum citandos requirendos aut cogendos ubi crimen vel crimina non fuerint perpetrata aut commiſſa infra dict. burgum noſtrum de Perth aut infra unum miliare eid. proxime adjacen. ET SIMILITER EXIMIMUS ipſos ab omni profectione extra burgum noſtrum de Perth et libertatem ejuſd. ad quoſcunque vel quibuſcunque ſerviendo aſſiſtendo vel participando aut ne ſint participes cum ipſis vel ipſorum aliquo in utenda expedienda vel exequenda quacunque delegatione aut commiſſione impetrata ſeu impetranda directa ſeu dirigenda quocunque modo in futurum et ab omnibus expeditionibus exercitibus conventibus et profectionibus bellicis et aliis ubi nos et noſtri ſucceſſores non fuerimus ipſi præſentes in noſtris propriis perſonis et omnes populares ac ſubditi noſtri ſive corpus regni noſtri tam ad burgum quam extra in univerſum ad eum effectum citat. præmonit. et requiſit. per publicas proclamationes et edicta pro occaſione et re nata ET generaliter omnia et ſingula alia exercendi frequentandi faciendi et utendi ſimiliter et adeo libere in omnibus reſpectibus cum omnibus privilegiis libertatibus et immunitatibus quibuſcunque ſicuti dictus noſter burgus de Perth antea aut quivis alius noſter liber burgus regius infra regnum noſtrum utitur aut uſus eſt quocunque tempore præterito SALVA nihilominus nobis et ſucceſſoribus noſtris dicta magna cuſtuma dicti noſtri burgi de Perth TENEN. et HABEN. totum et integrum dict. noſtrum burgum de Perth mœnia portas foſſas vias ſtrata plateas calcias paſſagia fora nundinas aquas ſtagna pontes inſulas territorium molendina terras molendinarias multuras aſtric-

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tas et alia ſervitia ſequelas aquæductus aquarum clauſtra et clauſuras communem moram antedict. terras tenementa annuos reditus turres piſcationes et piſcarios annuos cenſus firmas burgales portus ſtationes pynorie viarum et platearum purgationes fora lignaria aquam de Taia et libertatem ejuſd. a Drumlay et infra dictam gildam dictaque officia coronatoris et vicecomitis ac alia præmiſſa et omnia et ſingula privilegia et immunitates poſſeſſiones et libertates dicti noſtri burgi de Perth vel quæ per dictum noſtrum burgum de Perth et inhabitantes ejuſdem vel ſuos predeceſſores jam vel quocunque tempore præterito poſſidentur aut poſſidebantur confiſcationes eſchætas fines amerciamenta parvas cuſtumas anchoragia portuum pecunias exitus commoditates caſualitates et alia quæcunque cum moris mareſiis pratis paſcuis paſturis burgalibus curiis gildæ curiis vicecomitum curiis fororum et nundinarum curiis et aliis curiis dicti noſtri burgi de Perth quibuſcunque ac cum carbonibus et carbonariis ac cum omnibus aliis et ſingulis libertatibus comditatibus ac juſtis pertinen. quibuſcunque ſpectan. ſeu juſte ſpectare valen. quomodolibet ad dict. noſtrum burgum de Perth vel ad præmiſſa vel præmiſſorum quodvis in futurum tam extra quam infra dict. noſtrum burgum de Perth tam ſub terra quam ſupra terram procul et prope DICTIS Præpoſitis Balivis Conſulibus fratribus Gildæ civibus burgenſibus ac communitati dicti noſtri burgi de Perth et ſuis ſucceſſoribus hæreditarie de nobis et ſucceſſoribus noſtris in libero burgagio et feudifirma imperpetuum per omnes rectas metas ſuas antiquas et diviſas prout jacent in longitudine et latitudine in domibus ædificiis boſcis planis moris mareſiis viis ſemitis aquis ſtagnis rivulis pratis paſcuis et paſturis ſilvis molendinis piſcationibus piſcariis carbonibus carbonariis cum curiis placitis hærezeldis bludewitis merchetis mulctis amerciamentis et eſchætis dict. curiarum decollatione furca et foſſa outfangthief et infangthief communi paſtura liberoque introitu et exitu ac cum omnibus aliis et ſingulis libertatibus commoditatibus proficuis aſiamentis ac juſtis ſuis pertinen. quibuſcunque tam non nominatis quam nominatis tam ſubtus terra quam ſupra terram procul et prope ad prædict. burgum aliaque particulariter et generaliter reſpective præſcript. cum ſuis pertinen. ſpectan. ſeu juſte ſpectare valen. quomodolibet in futurum libere quiete plenarie integre honorifice bene et in pace abſque ulla revocatione contradictione impedimenta aut obſtacula quocunque REDDENDO

inde annuatim præfati præpoſiti balivi conſules cives burgenſes ac communitas dicti noſtri burgi de Perth et ſui ſucceſſores nobis et ſucceſſoribus noſtris dictam ſummam octoginta librarum monetæ Sterlingorum ad feſtum Penthecoſtes et Sancti Martini in hieme per æquales portiones tantum pro omni alio ſervitio conſuetudine ſeu demanda SALVA nihilhominus et RESERVATA dicta magna cuſtuma dicti noſtri burgi de Perth nobis et ſucceſſoribus noſtris ut præfertur DE QUIBUS firmis burgalibus dictæ ſummæ octoginta librarum monetæ Sterlingorum nos cum aviſamento conſilio et conſenſu antedict. nunc ut ante et prius DEDIMUS CONCESSIMUS et DISPOSUIMUS ac pro nobis et ſucceſſoribus noſtris imperpetuum CONFIRMAVIMUS prout tenore præſentis cartæ noſtræ DAMUS CONCEDIMUS et DISPONIMUS ac pro nobis et ſucceſſoribus noſtris imperpetuum CONFIRMAMUS præfatis hoſpitali et pauperibus dicti noſtri burgi de Perth in puram et perpetuam elemoſinam imperpetuum dictam ſummam ſexaginta novem librarum octo ſolidorum et octo denariorum monetæ Sterlingorum prius datam conceſſam et diſpoſitam et ante omne actum annexationis ut ſupra per dictos noſtros illuſtres predeceſſores per partes et portiones in puram et perpetuam elemoſinam dictis abbatibus prioribus et conventibus Sancti Andreæ Sconæ Cumbuſkynneth Vallis Virtutis et fratribus prædictis ut præfertur ET SIMILITER DAMUS CONCEDIMUS et DISPONIMUS ac pro nobis et ſucceſſoribus noſtris imperpetuum CONFIRMAMUS præfatis Præpoſitis ac Communitati dicti noſtri burgi de Perth et ſuis ſucceſſoribus ad ſuſtentationem dicti pontis de Taia in puram et perpetuam elemoſinam imperpetuum dictum reſiduum in moneta Sterlingorum de eiſd. dictis firmis burgalibus dictæ ſummæ octoginta librarum monetæ Sterlingorum Quod reſiduum fuit prius diſpoſitum et conceſſum multo ante quodvis actum annexationis ut præfertur per illuſtres noſtros prædeceſſores dictis Aldermanno et Communitati dicti burgi noſtri de Perth et ſuis ſucceſſoribus in moneta Sterlingorum ad ſuſtentationem dicti pontis de Taia in puram et perpetuam elemoſinam imperpetuum ET ideo nos etiam VOLUMUS et CONCEDIMUS ac pro nobis et ſuceſſoribus noſtris ORDINAMUS PRÆCIPIMUS et MANDAMUS auditoribus ſcaccarii præſentibus et futuris quod recipiant et admittant annuatim omni tempore futuro annuas rationes et computas reddenda per balivos dicti noſtri burgi de Perth præſentes et futuros alioſque ſuo nomine de dictis firmis

mis burgalibus dicti noſtri burgi de Perth extenden. ad dict. ſummam octoginta librarum monetæ Sterlingorum ut præfertur et ut exonerent et liberent ipſis de iiſd. ſubſcribantque ſuis rationibus et computis ac æque penes ead. et ut referant eaſd. rationes et computa exonerationem et liberationem earund. in codicillos ſeu rotulos dicti ſcaccarii per allocationem et approbationem ipſis tanquam ſolut. per ipſos dictis hoſpitali et pauperibus dictæ ſummæ ſexaginta novem librarum octo ſolidorum et octo denariorum monetæ Sterlingorum de dictis firmis burgalibus diſpoſitæ et ſolut. prius per partes et portiones dict. abbatibus prioribus et conventibus Sancti Andreæ Sconæ Cambuſkynneth Vallis Virtutis et fratribus prædict. reſpective ut præfertur ET SIMILITER per allocationem et approbationem dictis balivis dicti noſtri burgi de Perth et ſuis ſucceſſoribus dicti reſidui dictarum firmarum burgalium tanquam ſoluti per ipſos ad ſuſtentationem dicti pontis de Tata ut præfertur et ut reddant ſuas rationes et computa admiſſa approbata et ſubſcripta ſuumque æque de eiſdem ut prius hiſce jam diverſis annis ultimo præteritis PRÆTEREA nos cum aviſamento conſilio et conſenſu antedict. pro nobis et ſucceſſoribus noſtris tenore præſentis cartæ noſtræ CREAMUS INCORPORAMUS et UNIMUS in unum liberum burgum regium regalem ac in unam libertatem et liberum tenementum dictum noſtrum burgum de Perth terras aquas molendina piſcationes piſcarias inſulas pontes moras officia libertates privilegia et alia prædicta VOLUMUSQUE et CONCEDIMUS quod unica ſaſina capienda apud Prætorium dicti noſtri burgi de Perth ſtabit et ſufficiens erit pro dicto noſtro burgo et omnibus præmiſſis non obſtante diſcontiguitate eorundem Et quod eadem jacent in diverſis partibus et locis penes quod nos pro nobis et ſucceſſoribus noſtris DISPENSAVIMUS et per præſentis cartæ noſtræ tenorem DISPENSAMUS imperpetuum MANDAN. et PRÆCIPIEN. ſimiliter Dominis noſtri Concilii et Seſſionis ut dent concedent et dirigant edicta ſua literaſque publicationis ſuper hiſce et præmiſſis in debita et competenti forma ET SIMILITER literas rebellionis lie horning ſuper ſimplici requiſitione decem dierum tantummodo contra rebelles refractarios et recuſantes obſervare et perimplere præmiſſa IN CUJUS REI TESTIMONIUM huic præſenti cartæ noſtræ magnum ſigillum noſtrum apponi præcipimus TESTIBUS prædilectis noſtris conſanguineis et conciliariis Joanne Marchione de Hamiltoun Comite Araniæ Domino Evan &c. Joanne Comite de Montrois Domino Grahame

Grahame &c. cancellario noſtro Georgio Mariſcalli Comite Domino Keith &c. regni noſtri Mariſcallo dilectis noſtris familiaribus conciliariis Dominis Jacobo Elphingſtoun de Barntoun noſtro ſecretario Ricardo Cockburn juniore de Clerkingtoun noſtri ſecreti ſigilli cuſtode Militibus Magiſtro Joanne Skene noſtrorum rotulorum regiſtri ac conſilii clerico Domino Joanne Cockburne de Ormiſtoun Milite noſtræ juſticiariæ clerico et Magiſtro Willielmo Scott de Grangemure noſtræ cancellariæ directore APUD HALYRUDEHOUS decimo quinto die menſis Novembris anno Domini milleſimo ſexcenteſimo regnique noſtri anno triceſimo quarto

And on the back whereof is wrote as follows:

Apud Edynburgh decimo quarto Julii anno Domini milleſimo ſexcenteſimo ſecundo Product. et oſtenſ. coram Dominis auditoribus ſcaccarii et per eoſdem admiſſ.

R. INNES.

Apud Edynburgh ſeptimo die menſis Julii anno Domini milleſimo ſexcenteſimo trigeſimo ſexto Product. coram Dominis ſcaccarii ac per eoſdem viſ. admiſſ.

T. HAY, Cl. Reg.

At Edinburgh, the 17th March 1656, produced be Mr John Paterſone Deine of Gild of Perth; and is minuted and recorded in the books of Exchequer, conform to the act and proclamation made thereanent, by me

W. PURVES, Cl.

TRANSLATION of the foregoing CHARTER.

JAMES, by the grace of God, King of SCOTS, TO ALL honeſt men, clergy and laity, of his whole realm, greeting: KNOW ye, that WE, now long after our lawful and perfect age of twenty-five years, and all and ſundry our revocations, as well ſpecial as general, and after all and ſundry our acts of diſſolution, as well after the act of general diſſolution of our property, made in our Parliament and public conventions of the eſtates of our kingdom, holden at Edinburgh in the month of June, in the year of our Lord fifteen hundred fourſcore fourteen years, as after the other preceding acts of diſſolution made before: HAVING conſideration of the ancient erection of our city or burgh of PERTH, by our renouned predeceſſors the Kings of Scots, of moſt worthy memory, into a free city and a regal and royal burgh, and of the great antiquity thereof, and the very ancient and convenient and pleaſant ſituation thereof, in the very middle of our native country, and in the middle of our kingdom, conjoining the one half thereof with the other, in obedience, and ſubjection, and loyalty to the Kings thereof, and their government: AND ALSO CONSIDERING our ſaid royal burgh of Perth to be moſt capable, apt, and commodious, both in time of peace and war, for receiving public aſſemblies, and the public and greater conventions of our ſtates, ſubjects, and people; and in which our illuſtrious predeceſſors, nobles, famous counſellors, and other our people, and alſo, the judicatories and judicial conventions of our people for determining buſineſs, have from remote memory often convened, and where in time of civil and foreign war, it is expedient to conveen: in which our ſaid royal burgh alſo, our illuſtrious predeceſſors, with their Queens, children, and families, have dwelt, and have uſed our ſaid royal burgh for ane certain habitation and dwelling, and for the ſeat of war on all occaſions; and in which our ſaid royal burgh, the parliaments and public conventions of the States of our kingdom were more anciently held; AND ALSO, ſeeing our ſaid royal burgh of Perth is and has been moſt profitable and neceſſary in all reſpects to our kingdom and government: LIKEAS, the procura- The priority of the Burgh of *Perth* before *Dundee*.
tors and commiſſioners of the remanent burghs of our kingdom, on a ſpecial reference (for the purpoſe of taking cognition) from us and the States of our kingdom, by act of our parliament and

public convention of our ſaid States, all in one voice, without variance or diſcrepancy, concluded, adjudged, and ordained, That our ſaid royal burgh of Perth, and the procurators and commiſſioners thereof, ſhall be preferred in order of antiquity and dignity, before our town of Dundee; and that the inhabitants, procurators, and commiſſioners of the ſame, be accounted foremoſt in place and dignity; and that in all our and our ſucceſſors parliaments, public conventions of the eſtates of the kingdom, and conventions of boroughs and councils, our ſaid royal burgh of Perth ſhall have and enjoy perpetually the precedency, prerogative, firſt place and order, and in giving votes and ſuffrages, ſhall be preferred before our ſaid town of Dundee, and the inhabitants, procurators, and commiſſioners thereof; and that in the ſame, the ſaid town of Dundee, the inhabitants, procurators, and commiſſioners thereof, ſhall altogether and wholly give place to our ſaid royal burgh of Perth, inhabitants, procurators, and commiſſioners thereof, in order of antiquity, priority of place and dignity; and for that effect, that they altogether ceaſe and deſiſt from contending with our ſaid royal burgh of Perth, inhabitants, procurators, and commiſſioners thereof, and from doing unto them any whatſoever trouble, ſkaith, or wrong, or from hindering or troubling them in their lawful buſineſs: AND BECAUSE the bridge of our ſaid royal burgh of Perth, which is called the Bridge of Tay, is a moſt precious jewel of our kingdom, and a work the moſt profitable and primarily neceſſary to our whole kingdom and dominion, and for the ſuppreſſion of rebels and ſuch as are vitiouſly affected moſt commodious, and alſo keeping the one half of the kingdom in faith, obedience, and duty of office, with the other half thereof, towards us and the kings of our kingdom and dominion: AND THEREFORE, and in reſpect of the manifold, ſingular, and excellent good offices done by the inhabitants and burgeſſes of our ſaid royal burgh of Perth, often and ſeveral times towards our renowned predeceſſors in matters concerning the public weil of our kingdom, performed in dangerous and difficult affairs, our illuſtrious predeceſſors have not only beautified and abundantly heaped on our ſaid burgh of Perth the greateſt benefits and meritorious gifts, liberties, privileges, and immunities, ſo that almoſt all the donations, benefices, liberties, and privileges conferred on other royal burghs of our kingdom, in a great meaſure bear reference to our ſaid royal burgh of Perth, and the benefits formerly conferred on it, and in a manner de-

The Burgage farm of L. 80 allocated, L. 69, 8s. 8 d. to the Poor, &c. and the remainder for upholding the Bridge of *Tay*.

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pend upon and are conformable thereto; but alſo, the ſaid Bridge as a public and common work, hath been built and erected upon the common contributions and expences of all the people and ſubjects of our kingdom and dominion; and becauſe our illuſtrious predeceſſors (before any act of annexation whatſoever) conferred and beſtowed forth of their yearly burgage-farms of our ſaid royal burgh of Perth, (extending to the ſum of fourſcore pounds Sterling money yearly), by parts and portions, the ſum of threeſcore nine pounds, eight ſhillings, eight pence Sterling money, in pure and perpetual alms, to the Prior and Convent of St Andrew's, Abbot and Convent of Scone, Abbot and Convent of Cambuſkynneth, and to the Prior and Convent of the Charter-houſe beſide our ſaid royal burgh of Perth, to the Dominican Friars, or Minor Preaching Friars, and to the Carmelite Friars, or White Friars, of our ſaid burgh of Perth reſpectively; and alſo before any act of annexation, they gave and diſponed the reſidue of the ſaids burgage-farms of our ſaid royal burgh, in pure and perpetual alms, to the Aldermen and Community of our ſaid burgh of Perth, and their ſucceſſors, in the ſame Sterling money, to the ſuſtentation and upholding of the ſaid Bridge of Tay: AND LIKEWISE, We, by our charter, have given and conferred, in pure and perpetual alms, to the Hoſpital and poor of our ſaid burgh of Perth, the foreſaid burgage-farms and portions of the ſame, which were formerly conferred and beſtowed by our illuſtrious predeceſſors, in pure and perpetual alms, on the ſaid Abbots, Priors, Convents, and Friars reſpectively, in manner foreſaid; as alſo, in the yearly accounts of the foreſaid burgage-farms and rents, made and perfected by the Bailies of our ſaid burgh of Perth, and others in their names, in our Exchequer, before the auditors of the ſame, the foreſaid auditors did liberate and exoner the comptars of the foreſaid burgage-farms, by allocating and allowing to them of the foreſaid ſum of threeſcore nine pounds, eight ſhillings, eight pence Sterling money, allocate and paid to the ſaid poor, and which formerly was paid forth of the ſaid burgage-farms yearly, to the ſaid Priors, Abbots, Convents, and Friars reſpectively, as ſaid is; and by the allocation and approbation made to the ſaid comptars, of the ſaid reſidue of the foreſaid burgage-farms, as being conferred and allocate forth of the ſame, in pure and perpetual alms, to the reparation, ſuſtaining, and upholding of the foreſaid Bridge of Tay; as in our account-books and rolls, and ſubſcribed

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accounts, of the ſaid burgage-farms, inſtituted and fitted, at more length is contained. AND BECAUSE we, having in memory, and calling to mind, the good, faithful, and thankful ſervice, the many atchievements, the very many gifts, and meritorious offices which have been performed by our ſaid royal burgh of Perth, citizens and inhabitants thereof, towards our illuſtrious Predeceſſors in all times paſt, both of war and peace, as often as occaſion offered, for the honour and ornament of their native country, in our and our Predeceſſors proper affairs, as well as in the public affairs of the commonwealth, have reſolved and determined to make a return to, and reward thoſe ſervices by every advantage, and on every occaſion, that ſhall be in our power, that we may at leaſt give proof of our grateful and benevolent intentions towards our ſaid royal burgh of Perth, burgeſſes and inhabitants thereof, and their ſucceſſors: AND SEEING, as part of this ſatisfaction and recompence, that it may be advantageous to our affairs, our kingdom, crown, and greatneſs, and may in time coming highly conduce to the inciting of others to perform for us and our ſucceſſors all thoſe offices performed by our ſaid royal burgh of Perth, that all and ſundry donations, benefices, poſſeſſions of lands, profits, rents, liberties, privileges, immunities, commodities, accidents, caſualties, and others whatſoever, at whatſoever time the ſame have been given and conferred on our ſaid royal burgh of Perth, by our moſt renowned Predeceſſors, remain and be obſerved, defended, beautified, and augmented, by many and greater immunities, profits, and rents, to our ſaid royal burgh of Perth, Provoſt, Aldermen, Bailies, Counſellors, and Community thereof, and their ſucceſſors, and to the ſaid Hoſpital and poor of the ſame: WE THEREFORE, approving of the premiſſes, and for divers other good deeds and conſiderations in reaſon moving us, of our certain knowledge and proper motive, with the advice, counſel, and conſent, of our well beloved and faithful counſellors, Sir David Murray of Goſpetrie, Knight, our Treaſurer, John Earl of Montroſe, our Chancellor of our kingdom, and Mr John Skene, Clerk of our Rolls and Regiſter, NOT ONLY have RATIFIED and APPROVED, but alſo for us and our ſucceſſors perpetually confirmed, LIKEAS, by the tenor of this our preſent charter, for the cauſes above written, with advice, counſel, and conſent foreſaid, we RATIFY and APPROVE, and for us and our ſucceſſors perpetually CONFIRM, in all and ſundry heads, articles, points, conditions, circumſtances, and clauſes, conform to

Ratification of the following Charters and Evidents granted to the Burgh of *Perth*.

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the tenor of the ſame in all things, ALL and SUNDRY the particular charters, infeftments, confirmations, decreets, indentures, rights, titles, ſecurities, letters, writings, and evidents underwritten, gifts, benefices, liberties, commodities, immunities, and privileges contained in the ſame, made, given, granted, and confirmed, by us and our moſt renowned predeceſſors, Kings and Queens of this our kingdom for the time, and made by others under written, to our ſaid royal burgh of Perth, Provoſts, Aldermen, Bailies, Counſellors, Citizens, Burgeſſes, and Community thereof, and their ſucceſſors, and to the ſaid Hoſpital and poor, and in their or either of their favour, TO WIT, A Charter made by umquhile WILLIAM King of Scots, of good memory, founder and reſtorer of our ſaid royal burgh of Perth, after the deſtruction and ruin thereof by the inundation of the ſaid water and river of Tay; in which charter under the great ſeal of the ſaid umquhile William King of Scots, it is firmly and expreſsly forbidden, that no merchant, being a ſtranger, within our ſhire of Perth, ſhall buy or ſell any thing without our ſaid burgh of Perth, contrary to the royal prohibition; but that ſtranger-merchants carry their merchandiſe to his ſaid burgh of Perth, and ſell the ſame, and employ the money there: AND if any ſtranger-merchant, (contrary to this prohibition), be found in the ſaid ſhire of Perth buying or ſelling any thing, that he ſhall be taken and detained until the royal pleaſure relative to him be underſtood: LIKEAS it is firmly prohibited, that no ſtranger-merchant ſhall cut cloth for ſelling the ſame within the ſaid burgh of Perth, except from the day of the aſcenſion of our Lord until the feaſt of the Bonds of St Peter; betwixt which terms they ſhall have liberty to cut their cloth for ſelling the ſame in the market-place of Perth; and there they ſhall ſell and buy cloth and other merchandiſe promiſcuouſly with the royal burgeſſes, as if they were the King's free burgeſſes; reſerving always the royal rates: ENJOINING alſo, That all thoſe who abide in the ſaid burgh of Perth, and deſire to trade in the market-place with the royal burgeſſes, contribute with them towards the aids to be granted to the King, of whomever they be the men: PROHIBITING, that there be no tavern in any village within the ſhire of Perth, but only where a Knight is Lord of the village, and dwells in the ſame himſelf; and that there

1ſt *Charter* granted by *King William.*

No ſtranger-merchant may buy or ſell but within the Burgh of *Perth.*

Stranger-merchants may not cut cloth to ſell, but betwixt the Aſcenſion-day and the bonds of *St Peter.*

None that dwell in the town may uſe trading, except they bear burden.

No tavern to be kept, but one at moſt, where a Knight dwells.

All burgeſſes of *Perth* are guild-brothers, except *Webſters* and *Waulkers*.

be but one tavern there allenarly; GRANTING alſo to his ſaid burgeſſes of Perth, except webſters and waulkers, that they have a merchant-guild: PROHIBITING alſo firmly, that no man abiding and remaining without the burgh of Perth, within the ſhire of Perth, ſhall make, or cauſe to be made, any dyed or ſhorn cloth within the ſaid ſhire, but only thoſe who are merchant guild-brothers, and who contribute with the royal burgeſſes of Perth, towards payment of tributes and ſubſidies due to the King (except only thoſe who have had a charter granted to them of this liberty before this time); and therefore firmly PROHIBITING, that no man within the ſaid ſhire of Perth preſume to make any dyed or ſhorn cloth, under the pain of regal forfeiture; and if there ſhall be any dyed or ſhorn cloth found made contrary to the King's command, COMMANDING the ſheriff, how oft he ſhall apprehend any ſuch cloth, that he do therewith conform to the law and conſuetude that was made in the reign of David King of Scots, his godfire: GRANTING juſtly his firm peace to all thoſe who draw along trees and materials to the ſaid burgh of Perth; and therefore PROHIBITING all perſons from diſturbing them in buying and ſelling thoſe things, after that they be once come within the ſpace of a link of land diſtant from the ſaid burgh of Perth, but granting and confirming to them by the ſaid charter all the ſaid liberties and conſuetudes: PROHIBITING alſo firmly, that no ſtranger dwelling without the ſaid burgh of Perth ſhall buy or ſell ſkins or wool, except within the ſamen burgh allenarly. AND SICKLIKE, A Charter of Confirmation and Donation, made and granted by umquhile ROBERT the Third of that name, King of Scots, of good memory, under the great ſeal, of the date, at Edinburgh, the fifth day of May, and of his reign the tenth year, ratifying and confirming the ſaid former charter inſert in the ſame, made and granted by the ſaid King William: AND SICKLIKE alſo giving and granting to the ſaid Provoſt, Bailies, Burgeſſes, and Community of the ſaid burgh of Perth, and to their ſucceſſors who ſhall be for the time, perpetually, to the reparation, building, and mending the ſaid Bridge of Tay, all the fines, amerciaments, and eſcheats, that ſhall happen to occur, or ſhould juſtly occur, by and through whatſoever tranſgreſſions and attempts contrary to the tenor of the foreſaid charter of confirmation. AND SICKLIKE, A Charter of Feu-farm, made and granted by umquhile ROBERT, the Second of that name King of

No dyed or ſhorn cloth to be made but by Burgeſſes, under the pain of forfeiting the ſame.

No man ſhould trouble thoſe that bring Timber Materials to ſell.

No Skins or Wool to be ſold, but within the Burgh of *Perth*.

2d *Charter* granted by *King Robert III.*

Fines are diſponed for upholding the Bridge of *Tay*.

3d *Charter* granted by *King Robert II.*

of Scots, of good memory, under the great ſeal, of date, at Dumfermline, the twenty-third day of July, and of his reign the fourth year, to his well-beloved and faithful friends, the Aldermen, Burgeſſes, and Community of the ſaid burgh of Perth, of ALL and HAILL the foreſaid burgh of Perth, TO HAVE and BE HOLDEN by the ſaid Aldermen, Burgeſſes, and Community, and by their heirs and ſucceſſors, in fee and heritage, perpetually, in all the right-divided marches thereof, together with the waters and ſtanks, mills, multures, and their ſequels, with the iſlands thereof, lying within the water of Tay, to wit, the Law of Inſherrat, Inſhyray, and Sleiples, and with all the fiſhings pertaining to the ſaid Iſlands round about the ſame, upon all parts, and upon every part of the ſamen, adjoining, or that may adjoin to the ſamen at any time hereafter; together with the fiſhing of one net of the King's Iſland, and together with all other his Majeſty's fiſhings of the Iſlands of the ſaid burgh of Perth, together with the yearly rent of the roods of land and burgage-farms, tolls, and ſmall cuſtoms of the ſaid burgh; as alſo together with muirs, marſhes, meadows, and paſturages, and with the courts of the ſaid burgh of Perth, and the fines of the ſame, and with all and ſundry other liberties, commodities, caſualties, and righteous pertinents whatſoever, belonging to the ſaid burgh of Perth, or that juſtly may belong thereto, any manner of way, in time coming, as well within burgh as without the ſame, as well under earth as above, as freely, quietly, fully, entirely, and honourably, as any burgh within our kingdom enjoyed in feu-farm, by conceſſions and grants of the predeceſſors whatſoever of the ſaid umquhile Robert the Second of that name, King of Scots, RESERVING always to his Majeſty, and his heirs, the great cuſtoms of the ſaid burgh of Perth, THE ſaids Aldermen, Burgeſſes, and Communities of the ſaid burgh of Perth, paying always to his Majeſty and his heirs the ſum of fourſcore pounds Sterling money at the feaſts of Whitſunday and Martinmas in winter, by equal portions, allenarly, and that for all other ſervices, conſuetude, and demands that may be aſked forth of the ſamen, RESERVING always the foreſaid great cuſtoms of the ſaid burgh of Perth, as above; AND SICKLIKE, the tranſumpt of the foreſaid charter of feu-farm forth of the regiſter, under the great ſeal of the moſt renowned and illuſtrious Prince James, the Second by the grace of God King of Scots, of date, at Edinburgh,

Of the Burgh, and property thereof.

Edinburgh, the twenty-fifth day of October, and of his Majeſty's reign the ſeventh year. AND SICKLIKE, A Charter made and granted by the moſt illuſtrious Prince umquhile ROBERT the Bruce, King of Scots, to the foreſaid burgh of Perth, and Burgeſſes thereof, anent the guild of the ſamen, and liberty to the merchants of the ſaid guild, of buying and ſelling all kinds of merchandiſe in general, in all places within our ſaid ſheriffdom of Perth, chiefly within the water of Tay, as far as Drumlay, and below the ſame; PROHIBITING any ſtranger-merchants, with their ſhips and barks, laden with merchandiſe, coming within the water of Tay, and chiefly below Drumlay, from preſuming to ſell any merchandiſe, or to break bulk, without the licence of the merchants of the burgh of Perth, commanding that the foreſaid merchandiſe really and in effect be firſt offered to the ſaid merchants of the ſaid burgh of Perth, before any other, without fraud or guile, under the pain of amiſſion and loſing of the ſaid merchandiſe. AND SICKLIKE, Letters made and granted by the ſaid umquhile ROBERT the Bruce, King of Scots, of date, at Reſtennet, the nineteenth day of June, and of his Majeſty's reign the twelfth year, bearing, That where his Majeſty's Burgeſſes of the burgh of Perth, compearing before William *de* Lindſay, Chamberlain of the kingdom of Scotland, at Dundee, upon the Sabbath-day then immediately before the feaſt of the Nativity of the bleſſed Saint John the Baptiſt, did ſeek and require their liberty, that no ſhip coming below Drumlay with merchandiſe, ſhould be unloaded, nor break bulk, until ſhe arrived at the ſaid bridge of the ſaid burgh of Perth, except ſhe were loaded with the goods of the inhabitants of the ſaid town of Dundee, or in the time of the fairs of Dundee; THEREFORE the ſaid King Robert the Bruce commanded his ſaid Chamberlain to cauſe proclaim the foreſaid liberty, and juſtly to maintain his foreſaid Burgeſſes of his ſaid burgh of Perth in the ſame. AND SICKLIKE, A Charter of Confirmation made and granted by the Moſt Illuſtrious umquhile DAVID the Second of that name, King of Scots, under his Majeſty's great ſeal, of date, at Perth, the tenth day of April, and of his Majeſty's reign the thirty-ſixth year, ratifying and confirming the foreſaid charter made and granted by the ſaid umquhile William King of Scots; and alſo the other foreſaid charter made and granted by the ſaid Robert the Bruce, King of Scots. AND SICKLIKE, A Charter of Confirmation made and granted by

4th *Charter* granted by *K. Robert Bruce* anent the Merchant-guild.

Privileges within the ſaid water of *Tay*, as far as *Drumlay*.

5. *Letters* granted by the ſame King.

6th *Charter* granted by *K. David II.* confirming the two Charters granted by *K. William* and *K. Robert the Bruce*.

by the ſaid umquhile ROBERT the Third, King of Scots, under his Majeſty's great ſeal, of date, at Edinburgh, the fixth day of May, and of his reign the tenth year, ratifying and confirming the foreſaid charters made and granted by the foreſaid Robert the Bruce, King of Scots, being word by word inſerted in the foreſaid charter of confirmation; COMMANDING alſo, in the foreſaid charter of confirmation, all his Majeſty's Chamberlains of Scotland, that they ſhould cauſe proclaim publicly the foreſaid liberty, and juſtly maintain his ſaids burgeſſes in the ſame. AND SICKLIKE, A Charter made and granted by the ſaid umquhile Robert the Third of that name, King of Scots, under his Majeſty's great ſeal, of date, at Linlithgow, the tenth day of April, and of his reign the fourth year, to the Provoſt, Burgeſſes, and Community of the burgh of Perth, that they and their ſucceſſors ſhould perpetually have a SHERIFF from among their fellow-burgeſſes, inhabiting the ſaid burgh of Perth, whom the Aldermen and Burgeſſes, of their own free and voluntary liberty, ſhall make choice of, and to continue for ſo long time as they pleaſe; containing alſo therein the univerſal power and authority conferred on the ſaid Sheriff, his ſucceſſors and their deputes: LIKEWISE granting and conferring on the ſaid Aldermen, Burgeſſes, and Community of the ſaid burgh of Perth, that they ſhould have and poſſeſs perpetually all the fines, amerciaments, and whatſoever other iſſues of the ſaid Sheriff's courts within the ſaid burgh of Perth, lands, waters, and others, pertaining to the ſaid burgh, and coming within the bounds, and fairs, and markets thereof, and that for the ſuſtentation and ordering and reparation of the ſaid Bridge of Tay, together with all and whatſoever amerciaments and fines of the Juſtice-air within the ſaid burgh of Perth, and bounds belonging thereto; and alſo with divers other donations, liberties, and privileges, granted and contained in the ſaid charter: AND SICKLIKE, An Act, deliberation, and declaration of the auditors of the Exchequer, contained on the back of the foreſaid charter, ſubſcribed by Richard Robertſon, ſubſtitute to Mr John Fraſſell clerk of the rolls and regiſter, bearing, that where in an Exchequer-court of King James the Fourth, holden at Edinburgh the eighteenth day of June, the year of God fourteen hundred fourſcore fourteen years, the foreſaid auditors had taken inſpection of the foreſaid charter, and had ordained, that all the amerciaments and fines of the juſtice-air of Perth ſhould be paid to the Aldermen and Sheriff of Perth, to the reparation of the foreſaid Bridge of Tay; and that they ſhould

7. *Charter* granted by *K. Robert III.* confirming the charters granted by *King Robert the Bruce.*

8. *Charter* granted by *K Robert III.* for having a *Sheriff* within burgh.

The fines of the Sheriff-court and Juſtice-air, to be applied for upholding the Bridge of *Tay*.

The *Exchequer* allows the fines of the Juſtice-air for upholding the Bridge of *Tay*.

yearly make count of the ſame fines and amerciaments, according as is ſet down in the ſaid charter; and that the extract of the foreſaid juſtice-air be directed to the foreſaid Sheriff within burgh then and in all time coming. AND SICKLIKE, Two ſeparate Charters made and granted by the ſaid umquhile ROBERT, the Third of that name, King of Scots, under his Majeſty's great ſeal, one thereof of date, at Linlithgow, the tenth day of May the year of God fourteen hundred fourſcore ſeventeen years, and of his Majeſty's reign the eighth year, and the other of the ſaid two charters, dated at his Majeſty's Caſtle of Rothſay, the twenty-eighth day of February the foreſaid year of God fourteen hundred and ninety-ſeven years, and of his Majeſty's reign the eighth year, to the Community, Burgeſſes, and Guild-brothers of the ſaid burgh of Perth; GRANTING and CONFERRING on them full and free authority, licence, and ſpecial power, that whenſoever, whereſoever, and how oft ſoever they, or any of them, ſhall happen to find any foreſtallers within their liberty of the ſaid ſhire of Perth, that they take and apprehend the ſaid foreſtallers, and arreſt them and their goods whatſoever, and confiſcate the ſamen, and carry away the ſame freely; GIVING and CONFERRING the foreſaid confiſcations, amerciaments, and foreſtalled goods, to the Burgeſſes, Community, and Guild-brothers of the ſaid burgh of Perth, and to their heirs and ſucceſſors, perpetually; and alſo all and ſundry confiſcations of whatſoever goods confiſcated and taken by the Sheriff and Burgeſſes of Perth, together with the amerciaments of all and ſundry foreſtallers, taken and arreſted by the ſaid Sheriff and Burgeſſes of Perth, how oft ſoever, whenſoever, and whereſoever the ſaid foreſtallers ſhall be convicted, before whatſoever judge, whether within the burgh of Perth or without the ſame, beſtowed in pure and perpetual alms, for the ſuſtentation and upholding of the ſaid Bridge of Tay, with divers other heads contained in the ſaid charters. AND SICKLIKE, Another Charter, made and granted by the ſaid umquhile ROBERT, the Third of that name, King of Scots, under his Majeſty's great ſeal, of date, at Edinburgh, the penult day of January the year of God fourteen hundred and four years, and of his Majeſty's reign the fifteenth year, for the common and public utility of the kingdom, and the upholding of the ſaid Bridge of Perth, the ſupport of which is neceſſary to the whole community of the kingdom, in favour of the Aldermen and Community of the ſaid burgh of Perth, and their ſucceſſors perpetually, of eleven pounds Sterling money, of the reſidue

9. 10. *Two Charters by K. Robert III.*

The fines of foreſtallers to be applied for upholding the Bridge of *Tay*.

11. *Charter* granted by *K. Robert III.* diſponing L.11 Sterling of the burgage-farms yearly, for upholding the Bridge of *Tay*.

ſidue of the burgage-farms of the ſaid burgh of Perth, due and payable to his Majeſty, in pure and perpetual alms for the ſuſtentation and upholding of the foreſaid Bridge of Tay, to be lifted and uptaken yearly forth of the burgage-farms of the ſaid burgh of Perth, at the two uſual and accuſtomed terms in the year. AND SICKLIKE, A Charter made and granted by the ſaid umquhile ROBERT, the Third of that name, King of Scots, under his Majeſty's privy ſeal, having the ſtrength and power of the great ſeal, of date at his Majeſty's Caſtle of Rothſay the fifth day of March, and of his reign the ſixteenth year, anent the conceſſion and confirmation to the Aldermen, Bailies, Counſellors, and Dean of Guild of the ſaid burgh of Perth, who ſhould be for the time, his Majeſty's free power, authority, and ſpecial licence, to make and ordain with the conſent and aſſent of the Guild-brethren of the ſaid burgh of Perth, ſtatutes, ordinances, conſtitutions, and conſuetudes, after mature deliberation, as is requiſite, of the whole Council and Community of the ſaid burgh of Perth, and inhabitants thereof, preſent and to come, of whatſoever ſtate and condition they be of; and the ſame ſtatutes, ordinances, conſtitutions, and conſuetudes to be of ſufficient ſtrength and uſe againſt all the burgeſſes and others, incomers of the ſaid burgh, and the penalties and unlaws, to be lifted and uptaken how often ſoever it ſhall ſeem expedient, as well in the Bailie-court of the ſaid burgh of Perth, as in the Guild-court of the ſamen, and other courts whatſoever, to the utility, profit, and ſpecially for upholding of the foreſaid Bridge of Tay, containing alſo therein divers other liberties, heads, and articles. AND SICKLIKE, An Indenture, of date, at Perth, the twenty-ninth day of June the year of God fourteen hundred threeſcore and four years, made betwixt the Aldermen, Bailies, Counſellors, and Community of the ſaid burgh of Perth, for themſelves, and their ſucceſſors, on the one part, and umquhile Richard Eviot of Balhouſie, for himſelf, his heirs, and aſſignees, on the other part, anent the Boot of Balhouſie, and others, contained in the ſaid indenture. AND SICKLIKE, A Charter of Confirmation and Vendition made by umquhile Patrick Lord Ruthven, under his ſeal, together with the ſeal of umquhile Mr John Dunyng Vicar of Perth, procured by himſelf, of date the twenty-fourth day of December the year of God fourteen hundred and fifty-eight, ratifying and confirming certain evidents made and granted

12. *Charter* granted by *K. Robert III.* giving liberty to make laws and ordinances, and the penalties exacted for breach thereof to be applied for upholding the Bridge of *Tay*.

13. The *Indenture* anent the Boot of *Balhouſie* confirmed.

14. *Charter* granted by the *Lord Ruthven*.

granted to the Provoſts, Burgeſſes, and Community of the burgh of Perth, and their ſucceſſors, by the ſaid umquhile Patrick Lord Ruthven, and by his predeceſſors, Sir William Ruthven, Knight, his goodfire, and Sir John Ruthven, Knight, his father, of a certain piece of land, with the pertinents, lying betwixt the Monaſtery of the Carmelites of Tullilum, and the common muir of the ſaid burgh of Perth; ſelling alſo and diſponing the foreſaid piece of land, with the pertinents, to the ſaid Provoſt, Burgeſſes, and Community of the ſaid burgh of Perth, and their ſucceſſors, by title onerous, holden of our Sovereign Lord the King, in fee and heritage, perpetually renouncing all right that he might have or crave to the ſaid common muir, and chiefly to that part of the ſame called the Catſide, with diverſe other heads and articles contained in the ſaid charter of confirmation and vendition *reſpectivè*. AND SICKLIKE, An Indenture of date, at Perth, the twenty-fourth day of November fourteen hundred fourſcore fourteen years, under the ſeals and the ſubſcriptions manual of umquhile Lord Ruthven, heritable proprietor of the barony of Ruthven and the pertinents, and of umquhile William Ruthven his ſon, and apparent heir, fiar of the ſaid barony, with the pertinents, made betwixt themſelves, on the one part, and the Provoſt, Bailies, Council, and Community of the ſaid burgh of Perth, and umquhile John Eviot of Balhouſie, on the other part, anent the mill leads, water paſſages, and courſe of the ſaid water to the mills of the ſaid burgh of Perth; and anent the incloſing, retaining, reparation, and upholding of that work called Lowiſwark, with other heads contained in the ſaid indenture. AND SICKLIKE, A Charter made and granted by the Moſt Illuſtrious Prince umquhile JAMES, the Second of that name King of Scots, under his Majeſty's great ſeal, of date, at Perth, the twenty-fifth day of March, the year of God fourteen hundred and fifty one years, and of his reign the ſixteenth year, to and in favour of the Burgeſſes and Community of the ſaid burgh of Perth, and to their heirs and ſucceſſors burgeſſes of the ſaid burgh, EXEEMING and freeing them of all payment of the cuſtom of ſalt and ſkins, vulgarly called ſharlings, ſkaldings, footfoalles, lentron ware, lamb ſkins, tod ſkins, calf ſkins, cunning ſkins, ottar ſkins, and fulmart ſkins, mentioned in the ſaid charter, containing alſo certain proviſions anent the ſaid ſkins and ſalt, and the cuſtom of the ſamen. AND SICKLIKE, a Charter of Confirmation made and granted

15 *Indenture* betwixt the *Lord Ruthven, his ſon*, the *Laird* of *Balhouſie*, and the *Town*, anent the *Mill-lead* and *Lowiſwark*.

16. *Charter* granted by *K. James II.* giving exemptions of the cuſtom of ſalt and ſkins.

granted by our umquhile goodſire of good memory, JAMES the Fifth King of Scots, under his Majeſty's great ſeal, at Perth, the tenth day of March the year of God fifteen hundred and twenty-ſeven years, and of his reign the fifteenth year, ratifying and confirming the foreſaid former charter, inſert in the ſamen, made and granted by the ſaid umquhile James, the Second of that name King of Scots, anent the ſaid exemption from the cuſtom of ſalt and ſkins foreſaid. AND SICKLIKE, all and ſundry grants and donations, made and granted by our moſt illuſtrious predeceſſors, to and in favour of our ſaid burgh of Perth, Provoſt, Bailies, Counſellors, and Community thereof, and their ſucceſſors, of and upon the office of CROWNERSHIP within our royal burgh of Perth, together with the common liberties and caſualties of the ſaid office; and alſo the right of property of the ſaid office, pertaining to the ſaid burgh of Perth, and to the Provoſt, Bailies, Counſellors, and Community of the ſaid burgh of Perth, and their ſucceſſors, and theirs and their predeceſſors continued and moſt ancient poſſeſſion from remote memory of the ſaid office, and the documents taken by them thereupon. AND SICKLIKE, Three Pieces of Writs or Letters, whereof one is indented, and is dated, at Dunfermling, the twentieth day of May, the year of God fourteen hundred and forty years, and two other patents or letters not indented, one thereof of date, at the Monaſtery of Dunfermling, the ninth day of June in the foreſaid year fourteen hundred and forty, and the other thereof dated alſo at the foreſaid Monaſtery of Dunfermling, the ſixteenth day of the foreſaid month of June in the foreſaid year of God fourteen hundred and forty years; all the which three pieces of writs or letters are made and granted by the Abbot and Convent of the ſaid Monaſtery of Dunfermling under their common ſeal, to and in favour of the Provoſt, Bailies, and Community of our ſaid burgh of Perth, and their ſucceſſors, anent certain conditions and agreements mentioned in the ſaid letters, made betwixt them, on the one part, and the ſaid Abbot and Convent of the ſaid Monaſtery of Dunfermling on the other part. AND SICKLIKE, a Letter of Confirmation made and granted by umquhile James, Prior of the Cathedral church of St Andrew's, and Vicar General of the ſame, the Biſhop being then abſent in foreign parts, and by the Chapter of the ſaid church, under the ſeal of his ſaid office of Vicarſhip, together with the common ſeal of the ſaid Chapter of the ſaid Cathedral Church of St Andrew's, of date at St Andrew's, the third

17. *Charter* granted by *K. James V.* confirming the charter immediately before.

18. Confirmation of Grants of the office of *Crownerſhip*.

19. Three Pieces of Writs granted by the *Abbot* and *Convent* of *Dunfermline* confirmed.

20. Confirmation of the Three Pieces of Writs above written by the *Biſhop* of *St Andrew's*.

day of September, the foreſaid year of God fourteen hundred and forty years, ratifying and confirming the foreſaid three pieces of writs or letters, inſert word by word at length in the ſaid letter of confirmation, made and granted by the ſaid Abbot and Convent of Dunfermling, to and in favour of our ſaid Provoſt, Bailies, Council, and Community of our ſaid burgh of Perth, and their ſucceſſors perpetually, as ſaid is. AND SICKLIKE, all and ſundry donations and mortifications made by whatſoever perſon or perſons, to and in favour of our ſaid burgh of Perth, Provoſts, Aldermen, Bailies, Counſellors, Deans of Guild, Deacons of Crafts, and Burgeſſes, or to the Hoſpital and poor of our ſaid burgh of Perth *reſpectivè*, forth of whatſoever prebends, prebendaries, altars, altarges, chapels, chaplanries, and benefices, founded and ſituated in the pariſh-church of our ſaid burgh of Perth, or in whatſoever other chapel, kirk, or place within the liberties of the ſamen, together with the right of patronage thereof, and forth of whatſoever lands, annualrents, already given, granted, and doted, and whatſoever confirmations of the ſame made and paſſed by us and our predeceſſors. AND SICKLIKE, Two Charters of our own, made by ourſelf, under our great ſeal, to and in favour of our ſaid Hoſpital and poor of our ſaid burgh of Perth, one thereof of date, at St Andrew's, the ninth day of Auguſt, the year of God fifteen hundred threeſcore nine years, and of our reign the third year; and the other of our ſaid charters of donation, of date, at Edinburgh, the twenty-ninth day of July, the year of God fifteen hundred fourſcore ſeven years, and of our reign the twenty-firſt year, duly confirmed by two ſpecial acts of parliament, and public ordinance of the ſtates of our kingdom, to wit, by an act of parliament and public ordinance of the eſtates of our ſaid kingdom, convened at Edinburgh the foreſaid twenty-ninth day of July, and year of God foreſaid, fifteen hundred fourſcore and ſeven years; and by another act of our parliament, holden the fifth day of June, the year of God fifteen hundred fourſcore and twelve years. AND SICKLIKE, the decreet given and pronounced by the ſaid Commiſſioners of our burghs, of date, at our ſaid burgh of Perth, the twenty-firſt day of June, the year of God fifteen hundred fourſcore and two years; decerning, concluding, and all in one voice, without any diſcrepancy or diſſention, ordaining, LIKEAS WE alſo, by the tenor of this our preſent charter, for us and our ſucceſſors, WILL, DECERN, and ORDAIN, that our foreſaid burgh of Perth, their procurators and commiſſioners,

21. Confirmation of all *Mortifications* and *Donations* to the burgh of *Perth*, and *Hoſpital* thereof.

22. 23. Confirmation of two Charters granted by *K. James VI.* in favour of the *Hoſpital* and *Poor* of *Perth*.

24. Ratification of the Decreet pronounced in favour of the burgh of *Perth* contra *Dundee*, anent the priority of place.

commiſſioners, ſhall be preferred, in order of antiquity and dignity, to the ſaid town of Dundee, inhabitants, procurators and commiſſioners of the ſame, who ſhall yield to them in order of priority of place and dignity; and that in all our and our ſucceſſors parliaments, and public meetings of our ſtates, and in all other conventions of ſtates, or burghs and councils, the foreſaid our royal burgh of Perth, their procurators and commiſſioners, ſhall have and enjoy perpetually, in all time coming, the chief dignity, prerogative, firſt place and order, and ſhall be preferred in giving of votes and ſuffrages before the ſaid town of Dundee, the inhabitants, procurators and commiſſioners thereof; and that therein the ſaid town of Dundee, the inhabitants, procurators, and commiſſioners thereof, ſhall altogether, and in all things, give place to our ſaid royal burgh of Perth, inhabitants, procurators, and commiſſioners of the ſame, as being long before them in order of antiquity and dignity; and that they altogether ceaſe for that reaſon to contend with our ſaid royal burgh of Perth, inhabitants, procurators, and commiſſioners thereof, or to cauſe them any trouble, hurt, or injury, or to obſtruct their buſineſs. AND SICKLIKE, all and ſundry charters and donations, made and granted by us and our moſt renowned predeceſſors, to and in favour of our ſaid royal burgh of Perth, Provoſts, Aldermen, Bailies, Counſellors, Burgeſſes, and Community thereof, and their ſucceſſors, anent the markets and fairs of our ſaid royal burgh of Perth, and chiefly the four free, public, and ſpecial fairs of the ſame, to wit, the Palm Fair, Midſummer Fair, the Harveſt Fair of St John, and the Winter Fair of St Andrew, and anent the liberties and privileges granted to the ſaid fairs *reſpectivè*: BUT ALSO WE, for the cauſes foreſaid, with advice, counſel, and conſent above written, have RATIFIED and APPROVEN, and for us and our ſucceſſors perpetually CONFIRMED, LIKEAS WE, by the tenor of this our preſent charter, RATIFY and APPROVE, and for us and our ſucceſſors perpetually CONFIRM, ALL and SUNDRY other charters, infeftments, confirmations, rights, titles, ſecurities, letters, writs, and evidents whatſoever, donations, liberties, commodities, immunities, and privileges contained in the ſame, made, given, granted, or conferred by us and our renowned Predeceſſors, Kings and Queens of this our kingdom, and by others exerciſing the authority for the time, to our ſaid royal burgh of Perth, Provoſts, Aldermen, Bailies, Counſellors, Burgeſſes, and Community thereof, and their ſucceſſors, and to the ſaid Hoſpital

25. Ratification of the four *Fairs* or *Markets*, &c.

Ratification in general of *all* other *charters*, *infeftments*, &c.

tal and poor, or in favour of them, or either of them, of whatſoever form or forms they be of, content or contents, date or dates, in all and ſundry their heads, articles, conditions, circumſtances, and clauſes, contained in the ſame, after the form and tenor thereof in all things: WE WILL, and with advice, counſel, and conſent foreſaid, WE GRANT, and for us and our ſucceſſors perpetually DECERN and ORDAIN, That this foreſaid generality ſhall no wiſe derogate, hurt, or prejudge the foreſaid ſpecialty; and that the foreſaid ſpecialty ſhall no wiſe derogate, hurt, or prejudge the foreſaid generality; and this our preſent confirmation and approbation of the premiſſes, ſhall be perpetually in all time coming, as good, valid, and ſufficient in itſelf, in all reſpects, to our ſaid royal burgh of Perth, Provoſt, Aldermen, Bailies, Counſellors, Burgeſſes, and Community thereof, and their ſucceſſors, as if the ſaid generality were reduced to a ſpeciality; and as if the foreſaid particular charters, infeftments, confirmations, rights, titles, ſecurities, letters, writings, and evidents above ſpecified, and remanent premiſſes, and others comprehended under the ſaid generality, in this our preſent charter, were at length, word by word, herein inſerted; WHEREANENT we, with advice, counſel, and conſent foreſaid, have DISPENSED, and for us and our ſucceſſors DISPENSE perpetually. MOREOVER, We, with advice, counſel, and conſent foreſaid, nevertheleſs without hurt, derogation, or prejudice of the ſaid former charters, infeftments, confirmations, rights, titles, ſecurities, letters, writings, and evidents particularly above ſpecified, and others generally above mentioned, donations, liberties, commodities, immunities, and privileges contained in the ſame, but, in further corroboration thereof, multiplying and heaping rights on rights, OF NEW AGAIN have SET, and in feu-farm heritably DEMITTED, and for us and our ſucceſſors have perpetually CONFIRMED, LIKEAS, by the tenor of this our preſent charter, OF NEW WE LET, and in feu-farm perpetually and heritably DEMIT, and for us and our ſucceſſors perpetually CONFIRM, to the Provoſt, Bailies, Counſellors, and Community of our ſaid royal burgh of Perth, and their ſucceſſors, perpetually, ALL and HAILL our ſaid royal burgh of Perth, together with the walls, gates, ditches, ſtreets, cauſeways, ways, paſſages, ſtanks of the ſame, Bridge, gateway, entry, and building of the ſaid Bridge, the Iſlands ſouth and north, territory, mills, mill-lands, multures,

New Grant of the burgh of *Perth*, and Property thereof.

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as well aſtricted as other ſervices, ſequels, with commodities of the ſaid mills, mill-leads, and cluices of water, or dams, as well already incloſed as to be incloſed hereafter, and the dam and intack of the ſaid mill-lead, pertaining to the ſaid mills, called *Lowiswark*, and other paſſages of the ſaid mills, mill-lead and paſſage, in every part and paſſage within and without the common walls of the ſaid burgh of *Perth*; together with the common muir, called the *Burrow-muir*, of our ſaid burgh of Perth, as well that part of the ſaid muir, called the *Catſide*, as the reſt of the parts of the ſaid muir, with all loans, roads, ways, and paſſages leading to the ſaid muir and frae the ſamen, as well the common high ſtreet, road-way, and paſſage leading to the north frae our ſaid burgh of *Perth*, beyond and beſide the upper mills thereof, and the two long ways thereof, called the *Long Cauſeway* and the *Cow Cauſeway*, as all other paſſages in every part of the ſamen; together with all liberties and privileges of our ſaid burgh of Perth, and all lands, tenements, and annualrents, lying or lifted, and uptane within our ſaid burgh of Perth, and liberties thereof; together with the ſtank called the *Spey Stank*, and paſſages, and the tower called the *Spy-Tower*, ports and others belonging to our ſaid burgh of Perth; together with our ſaid iſlands, lying within the ſaid water of Tay, to wit, *the Law* of *Inſherrat*, *Inchyray*, and *Sleiples*; together with all other our fiſhings pertaining to the ſaid iſlands, lying either round about the ſame, and upon every part of the ſame, or where-ever the ſame lies, or may or ſhould lie any manner of way hereafter; together with the fiſhing of one net of the *King's Iſland*, and with all other our fiſhings of the iſlands of our ſaid burgh of Perth; together with the yearly rents of the roods of land and burgage-farms, tolls and ſmall cuſtoms of the ports of our ſaid burgh of Perth, and all things tranſported thereat, commodities, privileges, and caſualties of the ſamen, and of the ſaid ports, and things tranſported to fairs and markets, ways and ſtreets thereof, with the pynorie and gait dichting, with the timber and timber-market uſed and wont, and all cuſtoms and exactions collected and accuſtomed to be collected, by whatſoever perſon or perſons, for whatſoever kind of things or goods carried to the ſtreets of our ſaid burgh of Perth, that the ſame may be ſold there; together with the muirs, marſhes, meadows, graſings, and paſturages; and with the *Courts* of the ſaid burgh of Perth, bloodwits, amerciaments, eſcheats, and commo-

dities of the ſaid Courts; and with all and ſundry other liberties, commodities, profits, eaſements, and righteous pertinents thereof whatſoever, pertaining or that may juſtly pertain and belong to our ſaid burgh of Perth in time coming, as well within the ſame as without the ſame, as well under the earth as above; and all and ſundry other liberties, privileges, and immunities thereof, and others whatſoever, enjoyed by our ſaid burgh of Perth, and inhabitants thereof, at any time bygone; and with privilege and power to the ſaid Provoſt, Bailies, Counſellors, and Community of our ſaid burgh of Perth, and their ſucceſſors, of building, having, and holding, within the ſaid burgh, and liberty thereof, more mills, as well wind as water mills, and other mill-leads and water-cluices, malt-barns, kilns, houſes, buildings, and others neceſſary and expedient thereto, for the common and public utility and profit of our ſaid burgh of Perth; together with the weekly markets twice in every week, one thereof on Wedneſday, and the other on Saturday; together with the four free public fairs four times in the year, one thereof at Palm Sunday, the ſecond thereof at Midſummer, beginning on the twenty-fourth day of June, the third thereof beginning on the day of the feaſt of St John the Baptiſt, being the twenty-ninth day of Auguſt, and the fourth thereof beginning on St Andrew's day, being the penult day of November; together with right to have and hold the ſaid four public free fairs, and the courts of the ſame, with the pertinents, for the haill ſpace and days uſed and wont; together with the tolls, cuſtoms, commodities, bailie-gloves, and other accidents and caſualties belonging to the ſaid markets and fairs, and to the courts of the ſame. AND SICKLIKE, We, with advice, counſel, and conſent foreſaid, GIVE and GRANT, and for us and our ſucceſſors perpetually CONFIRM, to our ſaid burgh of Perth, Provoſt, Bailies, Counſellors, and Community thereof, and to their ſucceſſors perpetually, ample, free, and full juriſdiction, liberty, and privilege of the ſaid water of Tay, in loading and livering ſhips, barks, barges, boats, and other ſea-veſſels whatſoever, both great and ſmall, in whatſoever part, port, ſtation, ſhore, in the mouth, by the ſides, or in the current of the ſaid water of Tay, in their own option and free-will, from *Drumlay*, and below the ſame, with full power to them to impede and forbid all others whatſoever from all loading and livering of whatſoever ſhips, barks, barges, boats, and other ſea-veſſels whatſoever,

Privilege to build more *Mills*, and others.

Two Weekly Markets.

The four free Fairs yearly, and caſualties of the courts thereof, and others belonging thereto.

Liberty in all parts of the water of *Tay*, from *Drumlay* and below it, with the *Small Cuſtoms*, *Anchorage*, and *Port-money*, &c.

ever, ſmall or great, in any part of the ſaid water of Tay, or on any ſide of the ſame; and with full power to the ſaid Provoſt, Bailies, Counſellors, Burgeſſes, and Community of our ſaid burgh of Perth, and their ſucceſſors, their deputes, collectors, and ſervants, in their names allenarly, and none other, to aſk, lift, receive, and collect, all ſmall cuſtoms, anchorage, and port-money, tributes, duties, and others whatſoever, within the ſaid bounds of the ſaid water of Tay, as freely in all reſpects as our burgh of Edinburgh aſks, lifts, and receives at our village of Leith, and that as freely as the ſame are lifted, aſked, and uptaken, by whatſoever other free royal burgh, or any perſon at whatſoever other free port within our kingdom: EXEEMING *ſimpliciter*, and altogether FREEING, all and ſundry ſhips, barks, barges, boats, and other ſea-veſſels whatſoever, ſmall or great, and all goods and gear whatſoever, pertaining, or which at any time ſhall pertain to our ſaid burgh of Perth, Provoſt, Bailies, Counſellors, Citizens, Burgeſſes, Community, and Inhabitants of the ſaid burgh, and their ſucceſſors, or pertaining to themſelves, or to whatſoever ſtranger or foreigner coming within the ſaid water of Tay, below Drumlay, from all payment for the ſaid goods, for whatſoever cauſe, perſuaſion, or occaſion, of whatſoever taxation, tribute, tolls, cuſtom, impoſition, exaction, anchorage, portage, and tonnage, ſmall cuſtoms, and other duties whatſoever, for whatſoever cauſes, deeds, and occaſions, bygone, preſent, and to come, to the Provoſt, Bailies, Counſellors, and Community of the ſaid town of *Dundee*, and their ſucceſſors or any of them, or to their cuſtomers, collectors, ſerjeands, and officers, or to whatſoever other perſon or perſons, but ſhall only pay to our ſaid burgh of Perth, and common good of the ſame; and the ſame to be aſked, lifted, and collected by the ſaid Provoſt, Bailies, Counſellors, Burgeſſes, and Community of our ſaid burgh of Perth, and their ſucceſſors, their deputes, collectors, and ſervants, in their names allenarly, and to none others, excepting the great cuſtoms of the ſame, to be paid to us and our ſucceſſors. WHEREFORE ALSO, and for the ſame reaſon and reſpect, and becauſe the ſaid juriſdiction, liberty, and privilege of the ſaid water of Tay, and right of the ſame, within the bounds above written, doth appertain and belong allenarly to our ſaid burgh of Perth, as ſaid is, We, with advice, counſel, and conſent foreſaid, for us and our ſucceſſors, by the tenor of this our preſent charter, firmly *charge* and *command* the ſaid Provoſt, Bailies, Counſellors, Community,

All goods coming below *Drumlay*, either pertaining to the burgh of *Perth* or to ſtrangers, ſhall be free of payment of ſmall cuſtoms, anchorage, and tonnage to the town of *Dundee*, &c. but ſhall only pay the ſame to the burgh of *Perth*.

The town of *Dundee* ſtrictly inhibited from exacting any duty off merchants either belonging to the burgh of *Perth*, or to ſtrangers having once come below *Drumlay*.

Community, and Inhabitants of the ſaid town of Dundee, and their ſucceſſors, their cuſtomers and collectors, ſervants, officers, and others, meſſengers and officers whatſoever, that neither they themſelves, nor any of them, nor any other in their name, preſume, or endeavour, or take upon them, at any time hereafter, to moleſt, vex, impede, prohibit, hinder, or arreſt, whatſoever Citizen, Burgeſs, or Inhabitant of our ſaid burgh of Perth, preſent and to come, or any ſhip, bark, barge, boat, or other ſea-veſſel whatſoever, ſmall or great, or the goods and gear whatſoever, pertaining to them, or to any of them, or to any ſtranger or foreigner coming within the ſaid water of Tay, below Drumlay, or to take, ſeek, exact, collect, uptake, or receive from them, or for that cauſe, or for themſelves, or for any part of them, whatſoever taxations, tolls, tribute, cuſtom, impoſition, exaction, anchorage, portage, or tonnage, ſilver ſmall cuſtoms, or other duties whatſoever, for whatſoever cauſe, deed, or occaſion, bygone, preſent, or to come, or any other way whatſoever to impede or prohibit them, directly or indirectly, in loading and livering at whatſoever port, ſtation, ſhore, or port, where-ever they pleaſe, within the ſaid water of Tay, and chiefly below Drumlay; and we interdict them, and every one of them, from exacting any duty of them, for the cauſe foreſaid, *ſimpliciter*, now and in all time coming: WE PROHIBIT alſo, and INHIBIT *ſimpliciter*, that no ſtranger-merchant coming with ſhips, barks, barges, boats, or other ſea-veſſels, ſmall or great, laden with goods and merchandiſe, within the water of Tay, and chiefly below Drumlay, that they, nor none of them, preſume to ſell any of the ſame, nor break bulk, until the ſame come to the Bridge of Tay; and that no ſhip, bark, barge, boat, or other ſea-veſſel whatſoever, ſmall or great, coming below Drumlay, with merchandiſe or goods, ſhall unlade therein, nor break bulk, until the ſame come to the ſaid Bridge of our ſaid burgh of Perth, except ſhe be laden with the goods of the inhabitants of the ſaid town of Dundee, or in the time of the fairs of Dundee, but only by the licence of the Council and Guild-brethren of our ſaid burgh of Perth, to whom, before all others, the foreſaid merchandiſe and goods really and in effect ſhould be offered to be ſold at a reaſonable, cheap, and commodious rate; and the ſame being refuſed by them, it ſhall then be leiſome to ſell the ſame to others, all fraud and deceit being ſecluded; under the pain of loſs and confiſcation of the goods ſo ſold, whoſe eſcheat and confiſcation,

No ſtranger-merchant coming with goods below *Drumlay*, may unlade or ſell any part of the ſame, until they come to the Bridge of *Perth*, and make firſt offer thereof to the merchants of *Perth*, under the pain of confiſcation of the ſame; except the goods do belong to the merchants of *Dundee*, or that it be in the time of the fairs.

tion ſhall pertain to the common good of our ſaid burgh of Perth, and ſhall be given and applied to the reparation and upholding of the ſaid Bridge of Tay. AND SICKLIKE, We, with advice, counſel, and conſent foreſaid, GIVE, GRANT, and for us and our ſucceſſors perpetually CONFIRM, the foreſaid office of CROWNERSHIP to our ſaid burgh of Perth, Provoſts, Bailies, Counſellors, and Community thereof, and their ſucceſſors, that they and their ſucceſſors ſhall have perpetually in all time coming, within the ſaid burgh, liberty and juriſdiction thereof, in all juſtice-airs and juſtice-courts, and at other times whatſoever, Crowners from among their own Burgeſſes and Inhabitants of our ſaid burgh of Perth, whom the Provoſts, Bailies, Counſellors, and their ſucceſſors, ſhall chuſe yearly, or for how long time they pleaſe, COMMANDING and CHARGING our and our ſucceſſors, their juſtices, and their deputes, crowners, and others, officers and meſſengers whatſoever, within our kingdom, preſent and to come, that none of them preſume, in time coming, to hinder buſineſs, make delay, or impediments in our ſaid burgh of Perth, to the Citizens, Inhabitants, or Burgeſſes thereof, in the diſcharge, uſing, and execution of the ſaid office of Crownerſhip, or by lifting and uptaking of the commodities, profits, accidents, or caſualties of the ſaid office of Crownerſhip, or to uſurp the ſaid office in oppoſition to our ſaid burgh of Perth, Citizens, Burgeſſes, or Inhabitants thereof, or any of them, in time coming, in commanding, acting, ſummoning, arreſting, vexing, or troubling them, or any of them, any manner of way, PROHIBITING and DISCHARGING them, and all meſſengers bearing the *inſignia* of the kingdom, and other meſſengers whomſoever, from exerciſing the ſame, or their proper function, duty, or office, in that part, WITH free and plain faculty and power to the ſaid Provoſts, Bailies, Counſellors, Citizens, Burgeſſes, and Community of our ſaid burgh of Perth, and their ſucceſſors, in all time coming, when and ſwa oft the juſtice-air and court of juſtice ſhall be holden, that they ſhall have within our ſaid burgh of Perth, and liberties thereof, an armed guard to ſerve and keep the tolbooth, and other places, in which the ſaid juſtice-airs and courts of juſtice ſhall continue and ſit, whenſoever it ſhall be expedient to hold any of the ſaid courts, and ſhall keep the paſſages, entries, doors, gates, and ſtairs of the ſame, without any impediment or action againſt them for that cauſe, ſicklike and in the ſame manner as they themſelves and their predeceſſors, in all time bygone,

The office of *Crownerſhip* within burgh.

have been in continual uſe and peaceable poſſeſſion of the ſaid privilege, and have enjoyed the ſame without any interruption. AND SICKLIKE, We, with advice, counſel, and conſent foreſaid, GIVE and GRANT, and for us and our ſucceſſors perpetually CONFIRM, the office of SHERIFFSHIP to our ſaid burgh of Perth, and to the ſaid Provoſts, Bailies, Counſellors, and Community thereof, and their ſucceſſors; and that they and their ſucceſſors have a Sheriff from among their own Conburgeſſes, inhabitants of our ſaid burgh of Perth, whom the ſaid Provoſt, Bailies, Counſellors, and their ſucceſſors, at their own free will and pleaſure, ſhall chuſe yearly, or for how long time they pleaſe, which ſheriffs, and their ſucceſſors, ſheriffs of our ſaid burgh of Perth for the time, ſhall have, by this our Charter, our and our ſucceſſors full liberty, power, and authority, to adminiſter, rule, and exerciſe, the full and entire office of Sheriff, within our ſaid burgh of Perth, and within the ſaid haill water of Tay, upon every ſide and every part of the ſame, from Drumlay, and below the ſame, and in all lands, waters, and other places pertaining to our ſaid burgh of Perth, liberties and juriſdiction thereof whatſoever, and for keeping and defending the foreſaid markets and public free fairs, and their courts, for puniſhing, juſtly and duly correcting tranſgreſſors; eſcheats, amerciaments, commodities, fines, profits, and proceeds thence ariſing, to uplift and keep; which amerciaments, fines, commodities, accidents, and caſualties of the ſaid office of Sheriffſhip, with the haill profits and duties of the ſaid Sheriff-courts within our ſaid burgh of Perth, and water of Tay, lands, waters, and other places pertaining to our ſaid burgh of Perth, any manner of way, and within the liberty, ſuperiority, and juriſdiction thereof, and whatſoever eſcheats, amerciaments, fines, and commodities of the ſaid juſtice-air, and courts of juſtice within our ſaid burgh of Perth, lands, territories, and juriſdictions thereof, whenſoever the ſame ſhall happen; together with the eſcheats, fines, and amerciaments, of whatſoever perſons, Citizens, Burgeſſes, and Inhabitants within the ſaid burgh of Perth, that ſhall happen to be convicted or condemned for whatſoever crime, fact, offence, or occaſion whatſoever, in time coming, before the principal Judge and chief Quæſitor of capital matters, or Juſtice-General, and his deputes, or whatſoever judge or judges within our kingdom, or that flies for fear of the ſaid crimes, or are thought to become fugitive, or thoſe that put violent hands on themſelves, by

The office of *Sheriffſhip* within burgh.

The eſcheats, fines, and amerciaments of any inhabitant of the burgh of *Perth*, convict before the *Juſtice-General, or any other Judge*, to be uplifted by the Sheriff within burgh, and the eſcheats of *ſelf-murderers* to be uplifted by him, and to be applied for upholding the Bridge of *Tay*.

by drowning in water, or by hanging themſelves, or by poiſoning themſelves, or by ſuffocating or ſtrangling themſelves by the jugs, or any other way whatſoever they take away their own lives, or prove the occaſion or cauſe of their own proper death, by whatſoever manner or way, We, for us and our ſucceſſors, GIVE, GRANT, and DISPONE to the foreſaid Provoſts, Bailies, Counſellors, and Community of our ſaid burgh of Perth, and their ſucceſſors, for ever, for the ſupport, reparation, and upholding of the ſaid Bridge of Tay, and of our ſaid burgh of Perth, and other public works thereof, for ever; with power to our ſaid Sheriff, within our ſaid burgh of Perth for the time, to ſubſtitute deputes under himſelf, one or more, for whom he ſhall be holden to anſwer, which Sheriff, and his deputes, ſhall be holden yearly, to give account before the Auditors of Exchequer for the time, according to uſe and conſuetude. COMMANDING and CHARGING, by theſe preſents, the principal Quæſitors of capital matters, or Juſtice-General, or their deputes whatſoever, and the ſaid Crowners and Sheriffs, and their deputes for the time, and others, judges whatſoever, preſent and to come, within our kingdom, and all and ſundry other our and our ſucceſſors, their officers, ſerjeants, and others whom it concerns, or may concern, that they defend, protect, fortify, and hold hand to the Provoſt, Bailies, Counſellors, and Community of our ſaid burgh of Perth, and their ſucceſſors, in the expeding, exerciſing, executing, lifting, importing, and defending them anent the premiſſes in all things, and ſhall aſſiſt them with their help, counſel, and travel; and ſhall promptly prepare, anſwer, inform, and do, to the effect that it may be promptly prepared and anſwered, and they ſatisfied of all and ſundry profits, commodities, and caſualties of the ſaid offices of Crownerſhip and Sheriffſhip, and of the ſaid fines, eſcheats, penalties, amerciaments, and commodities of the ſaid juſtice-air, and courts holden in whatſoever parts of our kingdom, upon the ſaid Citizens and Inhabitants of our ſaid burgh of Perth, for whatſoever their crime, fact, injury, or offence, as ſaid is; commanding likewiſe all and ſundry whom it concerns or may concern, under all pain which after may follow, that they promptly anſwer, obey, and inform the ſaid Crowners and Sheriffs of our ſaid burgh of Perth, and their deputes for the time, in all and ſundry things concerning and belonging to, or that may concern the ſaid offices of Crownerſhip and Sheriffſhip. AND SICKLIKE, We, for us and our ſucceſſors, with advice, counſel, and conſent foreſaid, GIVE, GRANT, and for

The *Juſtice-General, his deputes*, and *all other Judges, officers, &c.* commanded to aſſiſt the *Crowner* and *Sheriff* in the execution of their offices, &c.

The erection of a *Guild*, with the privileges thereof, confirmed.

for us and our ſucceſſors perpetually CONFIRM, the GUILD, and office and function thereof, to our ſaid burgh of Perth, Citizens, Burgeſſes of the ſame, and their ſucceſſors, (except webſters and waulkers); and that they have their Merchant-Guild, Dean-of-Guild, and Guild Council; and that they chuſe yearly their Dean of Guild and his Council; with all commodities belonging thereto: PROHIBITING and FORBIDDING alſo, that no merchant and others whatſoever, without the liberty of our ſaid burgh of Perth, within our ſheriffdom of Perth, ſhall, either by land, ſea, or water, buy or ſell any whatſoever victual, merchandiſe, goods, or other merchant-ware; but that they carry the ſame to our ſaid burgh of Perth, and there ſell the ſame, and there employ their money in buying and ſelling, and in change and permutation of wares; and that there be no tavern keeped in any village of our ſaid ſheriffdom of Perth, but where a Knight is Lord of the village, and dwells and remains therein himſelf; and that there be but one only tavern there; and that no man without our ſaid burgh of Perth, dwelling in our ſaid ſhire thereof, ſhall preſume to make, or cauſe to be made, any dyed, mixed, or ſhorn cloth, but allenarly the citizens and burgeſſes of our ſaid burgh of Perth, within the merchant-guild thereof, and they who communicate and contribute with them in paying all tributes, and bearing burdens; commanding and enjoining alſo the ſaid Sheriffs of our ſaid burgh of Perth, preſent and to come, that they take all ſuch cloth before mentioned, where-ever the ſame can be apprehended, and do therewith, and diſpoſe thereupon, at their will and pleaſure; COMMANDING and CHARGING alſo, that no man within our ſheriffdom of Perth buy or ſell timber-materials, bark, hides, ſkins, lint, wool, merchandiſe, ſalt, ware, overſea-wares, or ſtaple-goods, or bind the ſame in bunches or burdens, or to pack or peal bark, or lime ſkins, or hides, but within our ſaid burgh of Perth, and liberties thereof allenarly; but that they carry the ſame goods to our ſaid burgh of Perth, and exhibit and produce the ſame publicly to be ſold in the open and public market-place thereof: PROHIBITING any ſtranger-merchant, who is not a citizen and free burgeſs of our ſaid burgh of Perth, from cutting any cloth for ſale within our ſaid burgh, except from the day of the Aſcenſion of our Lord until the Bonds of St Peter, within which terms we will that they themſelves cut their cloth for ſelling the ſame in the ſaids fairs and public markets of our ſaid burgh of Perth, beginning at the ſaid twenty fourth day of

No victual or merchandiſe to be ſold by any unfree man *in* the ſhire, but ſhall be brought to the burgh, and there ſold.

No ſtranger-merchant may cut cloth for ſale, except only betwixt the feaſts of the Aſcenſion of our Lord and the Bonds of *St Peter*.

of June, and there they ſhall ſell and buy cloth and other merchandiſes in common and together with our citizens and burgeſſes, ſicklike as our royal burgeſſes do, reſerving to us and our ſucceſſors the royal rates; COMMANDING and CHARGING alſo, that all the indwellers and inhabitants of our ſaid burgh of Perth, preſent and to come, who themſelves and their families are nouriſhed, ſupplied, and upholden by the fairs, and fiſh and fleſh markets of our ſaid burgh of Perth, or who live by buying and ſelling in the ſaids fairs, fiſh and fleſh markets, or are accuſtomed to ſell victual, food, or other merchandiſe whatſoever within our ſaid burgh of Perth, or fiſh or fleſh markets, or fairs of the ſame, that they undergo tributes and bear burdens with our citizens and burgeſſes of our ſaid burgh of Perth, and their ſucceſſors, in watching, warding, ſcotting, lotting, ſtenting, and paying of taxations, impoſitions, contributions, and others. AND SICKLIKE, We, with advice, counſel, and conſent foreſaid, by the tenor of this our preſent charter, GIVE and GRANT, and for us and our ſucceſſors perpetually confirm, to the ſaids Provoſt, Bailies, Counſellors, Deans of Guild of our ſaid burgh of Perth, and their ſucceſſors for the time, our and our ſucceſſors free and full power, authority, and licence to make and ordain, with conſent and aſſent of the guild-brethren of our ſaid burgh of Perth, after mature deliberation, as becomes, being convened in a frequent ſenate, or a full council of the ſaid burgh, ſtatutes, ordinances, and conſtitutions of and concerning our ſaid burgh of Perth and inhabitants thereof, preſent and to come, of whatſoever eſtate and condition they be of; and that they may have authority and power to uſe and execute the ſaid ſtatutes, ordinances, and conſtitutions, freely and quietly by themſelves, without condition, conſtraint, or counſel of any other judge or judges, eccleſiaſtical or civil, againſt their own burgeſſes, citizens, and inhabitants of the ſaid burgh of Perth, preſent and to come, infringers, contraveners, and tranſgreſſors of the ſaid ſtatutes, ordinances, and conſtitutions; with power to them to cite, convene, proſecute, fine, amerciate, and puniſh, as well in the Baillie and Guild courts as in other courts whatſoever of our ſaid burgh of Perth; and to uplift the fines, penalties, and amerciaments, the ſame to apply and convert to the helping, mending, reparation, and upholding of our ſaid burgh of Perth, the foreſaid bridge, and other public and common

No man to uſe trading within burgh, but ſuch as bear burden, &c.

Liberty to make *Acts*, *Laws*, and *Conſtitutions*, among their own burgeſſes.

works of the ſame; which ſtatutes, conſtitutions, ordinances, and conſuetudes, made and already ordained, or to be made hereafter by the ſaid Provoſt, Bailies, Counſellors, and Dean of Guild of our ſaid burgh of Perth, and their ſucceſſors, preſent and to come, as ſaid is, for the commodity and utility of our ſaid burgh of Perth, and the ſaid Bridge of Tay, as is above expreſſed, we, with advice, counſel, and conſent foreſaid, ratify and approve, and for us and our ſucceſſors, by the tenor of this our preſent charter, perpetually confirm, in all and ſundry points, conditions, clauſes, and articles thereof, we WILL, and for us and our ſucceſſors, DECLARE and DECERN, that the ſame ſhall be holden and eſteemed for law, and ſhall have the ſtrength, power, and authority of law in all time coming perpetually. AND SICKLIKE, We, with advice, counſel, and conſent foreſaid, for us and our ſucceſſors, by the tenor of this our preſent charter, GIVE, GRANT, and perpetually CONFIRM, to the Community, Citizens, Burgeſſes, and Guild-Brethren of our ſaid burgh of Perth, and their ſucceſſors, perpetually, free and full authority, licence, and ſpecial power, that whenever, or whereſoever, and how oft ſoever, they or any of them ſhall happen to find any foreſtallers within our ſaid burgh of Perth, and liberties thereof, or within our ſaid ſheriffdom of Perth, bounds, liberties, and juriſdiction thereof, that they, or any of them, may by themſelves take and arreſt the ſaid foreſtallers their goods whatſoever; and the ſaid foreſtalled goods to confiſcate, make eſcheat thereof, and to carry away the ſame, freely, without licence or authority of whatſoever judge, or of any of our or our ſucceſſors officers and ſerjeants, or of any other whatſoever: AND BECAUSE goods ſo foreſtalled and keeped up, contrary to the laws, legal inhibitions, edicts, and conſuetudes of this our native kingdom, ſhould be confiſcate and eſcheat, and ſhould appertain to us and our ſucceſſors, by the right of our Crown; and ſuchlike, the goods foreſtalled, and the amerciaments of the foreſtallers of our ſaid burgh of Perth, ſhould by our law be confiſcate, and ſhould pertain to us and our ſucceſſors as eſcheat, WE therefore, with advice, counſel, and conſent foreſaid, have GIVEN and GRANTED, and for us and our ſucceſſors perpetually CONFIRMED; LIKEAS, by the tenor of this our preſent charter, WE GIVE and GRANT, and for us and our ſucceſſors perpetually CONFIRM, to the ſaid Citizens, Burgeſſes, Community,

Power againſt *Foreſtallers*, either within Burgh or Shire.

The confiſcated goods of foreſtallers to be applied for upholding of the Bridge of *Tay*.

Community, and Guild-brethren, of our ſaid burgh of Perth, and their ſucceſſors, in pure and perpetual alms, perpetually, to the reparation and upholding of the ſaid Bridge of our ſaid burgh of Perth, not only, the ſaid confiſcations, eſcheats, fines, amerciaments, and whatſoever confiſcate goods eſcheated and taken already, or that ſhall be eſcheated, confiſcated, or taken, at any time hereafter, by the ſaids Community, Burgeſſes, Guild-brethren, Bailies, and Sheriffs of our ſaid burgh of Perth, or by any of them, with the amerciaments, fines, and eſcheats, of all foreſtallers, taken and arreſted by the ſaid Community, Sheriffs, Citizens, Burgeſſes, and Guild-brethren, of our ſaid burgh of Perth, and their ſucceſſors, or any of them, how oft ſoever, whenſoever, or whereſoever the foreſaid foreſtallers ſhall be convicted or condemned before whatſoever judge or judges, eccleſiaſtical, ſecular, capital, criminal, or civil, within the ſheriffdom of Perth, or without the ſame, in whatſoever part of our kingdom; but ſicklike, all amerciaments and eſcheats that ſhall happen to be incurred, or that in right ſhould be incurred, at any time hereafter, by virtue of this our preſent charter and infeftment, or any head, article, or clauſe thereof, on account of whatſoever tranſgreſſions and attempts againſt the tenor thereof, or of any of the other charters above written, or any of the premiſſes, or for the violation, tranſgreſſion, or contravention of our foreſaid ſtatutes, ordinances, conſtitutions, conſuetudes, or any of them; COMMANDING and CHARGING all and ſundry our and our ſucceſſors, their lieges, ſubjects, chamberlains, chief queſitor, or juſtice-general, governor, ſheriffs, ſtewarts, and their deputies, crowners, and other judges, magiſtrates, and other officers whatſoever, preſent and to come, that they, and ilk ane of them, how oft they ſhall be thereto required, ſhall aſſiſt, help, fortify, protect, hold hand to, and defend, our ſaid provoſts, bailies, ſheriffs of our ſaid burghs, their deputes, guilds, and deans of guild, inhabitants, and community of our ſaid burgh of Perth, and their ſucceſſors for the time, in all and by all things, and to the expeding, exerciſing, executing, lifting, importing, and defending the premiſſes, and ſhall promptly give and aſſiſt them with their help, counſel, and pains, and ſhall anſwer, obey, and inform, anent the expeding and execution of the premiſſes, and of all the foreſaid donations, liberties, privileges, and others mentioned in this our preſent charter. AND SEEING the Bridge of

The Bridge of *Earn*, and Cuſtoms thereof, diſponed to the Burgh of *Perth*.

of EARN, which, by the liberality and charity of the churchmen and beneficiaries for the time, was built and upholden until the time of Reformation of Religion in our kingdom; and now the ſame, with the cauſeways, ſtreets, and ways thereof, at both the ends, by reaſon of the great force and inundation of the water, is tending to ruin, and a great part thereof already very ruinous in the ſtone pillars thereof, being looſe and ſhaken, and a great deal of the work of the arches conſumed in all the parts thereof, and now likely to ſlip and fall down; and the ſaid Bridge being now in that ſtate and condition, that if the ſame be not timeouſly mended and repaired, it will altogether fall and periſh, to the great hurt and ſkaith of the whole commonwealth, and will be no little impediment and hindrance to us in all the ſervices and offices to be performed to us by our ſubjects, in time of war eſpecially; chiefly, ſeeing the ſaid Bridge of Earn, ſecond and next to our ſaid Bridge of Perth over the water of Tay, is the only ready way or paſſage for all our ſubjects to the north parts and places of our kingdom, and for our ſubjects of the Highlands, and of the laigh country alſo; and moreover, becauſe the ſaid Bridge of Earn is and ſhould be eſteemed a neceſſary part and pendicle of our ſaid burgh of Perth, and their ſaid Bridge of Tay; and for that cauſe, the inhabitants of our ſaid burgh of Perth for the time ſhould be, likeas they are moſt willing, careful, and ſolicitous for the building and repairing of the ſaid Bridge of Earn, and for upholding and maintaining the ſame, in the ways, cauſeways, and ſtreets thereof; and ſeeing the ſame cannot now be repaired and amended in every defective part thereof, without great charges, expences, and ſums of money, or a conſtant and perpetual cuſtom and tribute, to be uptaken for that effect: WE therefore, with advice, counſel, and conſent foreſaid, have GIVEN and GRANTED, and for us and our ſucceſſors perpetually CONFIRMED, LIKEAS, by the tenor of this our preſent Charter, WE GIVE and GRANT, and for us and our ſucceſſors, perpetually CONFIRM, to our ſaid burgh of Perth, Provoſts, Bailies, Counſellors, Burgeſſes, Citizens, and Community thereof, and their ſucceſſors perpetually, (as being a neceſſary part, appendant, and pendicle of our ſaid burgh of Perth, and Bridge thereof), the foreſaid Bridge of Earn, ways, ſtreets, and cauſeways, with the pertinents and commodities thereof, and all things pertaining to the

the mending, reparation, and upholding of the ſame. AND SICKLIKE, For the better and more commodious mending, reparation, and upholding of the ſaid Bridge, We have ordained the perpetual cuſtoms, tolls, and duties following to be uplifted, to wit, two pennies to be uplifted from every horſeman for every time of his paſſing alongſt the ſaid Bridge; one penny to be paid by every footman for every time of his paſſing alongſt the ſaid Bridge; two pennies for every beaſt carrying a load or ſack of victual; one penny to be paid for every beaſt carrying a load of ſalt, fiſh, fowls, and other things of that kind; one penny to be paid for every horſe or other beaſt; one penny to be paid for every ox and cow, and any of that kind; one penny for every four ſheep; four pennies for every beaſt's load of whatſoever merchandiſe; one penny to be paid for every ſack; and for all other things equal and like tolls and cuſtoms, according to the uſe and practice in times bygone, uſed at the ſaid Bridge of Earn; COMMANDING and CHARGING all and ſundry our and our ſucceſſors lieges and ſubjects, that they, and every ane of them, paſſing alongſt the ſaid Bridge of Earn, anſwer, obey, and pay at every time to our ſaid Provoſts, Bailies, Counſellors, and Community of our ſaid burgh of Perth, and their ſucceſſors, their collectors, delegates, and deputes, the foreſaid toll, cuſtom, and duties, decerned and deſtinated to the mending, repairing, and upholding the ſaid Bridge of Earn, ways, ſtreets, cauſeways, and port thereof; and that no man preſume nor take upon hand to impede, hinder, or ſtop them therein, directly or indirectly. AND SICKLIKE, We, with advice, counſel, and conſent foreſaid, for us and our ſucceſſors, by the tenor of this our preſent Charter, EXEEM and LIBERATE perpetually our ſaid Provoſt, Bailies, Sheriffs, Counſellors, Burgeſſes, Community, and Inhabitants of our ſaid burgh of Perth, and liberty of the ſamen, and their ſucceſſors, from all inqueſts and aſſizes, and from all conſtraint and action to be moved againſt them, for cauſing them to be upon any inqueſt or aſſize; neither ſhall they be cited, required, or conſtrained for that effect, where the crimes were not perpetrated, acted, or committed within our ſaid burgh of Perth, or within a mile next adjacent thereto; AND SICKLIKE, WE EXEEM them from all travelling or going forth of our ſaid burgh of Perth, and liberties thereof, to any perſons, or from ſerving, aſſiſting, or participating with

The ſeveral Rates of Cuſtoms to be uplifted at the Bridge of *Earn*.

Exemption from *Aſſizes*, except the crime be committed within burgh, or within a mile thereof.

Exemption from *Expeditions* and *Armies*, if the *King* be not there in perſon himſelf, and the whole Body of the Land called and ſummoned for that effect.

with any perſon, or to be participant with them, or any of them, in uſing, expediting, or executing whatſoever delegation or commiſſion obtained already, or to be obtained, directed already, or to be directed, whatſoever way in time coming, and of all expeditions, armies, conventions, and journies to the wars and others, where we ourſelves, and our ſucceſſors, ſhall not be preſent in our own proper perſons, and all our ſubjects and people, or the body of our kingdom, as well to burgh as land, being univerſally for that effect cited, premoniſhed, and required, by public proclamation and edict, upon occaſion and for preſent buſineſs; AND GENERALLY all and ſundry other things to exerce, frequent, do, and uſe, ſick-like, and as freely in all reſpects, with all other liberties, privileges, and immunities whatſoever, as our ſaid burgh of Perth, at any time before, or any other free royal burgh within our kingdom, uſed or uſes at any time bygone; RESERVING nevertheleſs, to us and our ſucceſſors the foreſaid great cuſtoms of our ſaid burgh of Perth: TO BE HOLDEN, All and haill our ſaid burgh of Perth, common walls, ports, paſſes, ways, ſtreets, roads, cauſeways, paſſages, markets, fairs, waters, ſtanks, bridges, iſlands, territories, mills, mill-lands, aſtricted multures, and other ſervices, ſequels, mill-leads, water-cluiſſes, the foreſaid common muir, lands, tenements, annualrents, towers, fiſhings, and whatſoever pertains thereto, yearly profits, burgage-farms, the pynorie port ſtation, or gait-dighting, the timber markets, the water of Tay, and liberties thereof, from Drumlay, and below the ſame, the foreſaid Guild, and the foreſaid offices of Crownerſhip, Sheriffſhip, and others above written, and all and ſundry privileges and immunities, poſſeſſions, and liberties, preſently poſſeſſed by our ſaid burgh of Perth, and inhabitants thereof, or that by our ſaid burgh of Perth, and their predeceſſors, has been poſſeſſed at any time bygone; confiſcations, eſcheats, fines, amerciaments, ſmall cuſtoms, anchorage, and portage-money, fines of courts, commodities, caſualties, and others whatſoever; with muirs, marſhes, meadows, graſings, paſtures, burgh-courts, guild-courts, ſheriff-courts, courts of the fairs and markets, and other courts of our ſaid burgh of Perth whatſoever; together with coals and coal-heughs, and with all and ſundry other liberties and commodities, with righteous pertinents whatſoever belonging, or that may juſtly belong and appertain, any manner of way, to our ſaid burgh of

The Burgh of *Perth* to be holden of the *King* in *Feu-farm*,

of Perth, or to the premiſſes, or to any part of the ſame, at any time hereafter, as well within our ſaid burgh of Perth as without the ſame, as well under the earth as above the ſame, far and near, BY THE ſaid Provoſts, Bailies, Counſellors, Guild-brethren, Citizens, Burgeſſes, and Community of our ſaid burgh of Perth, and their ſucceſſors, heritably, OF US and our ſucceſſors in free burgage and feu-farm perpetually, in all the right marches and old diviſions thereof, as the ſame lie, in length and breadth, in houſes, biggings, plains, muirs, marſhes, ways, waters, ſtanks, burns, meadows, graſings, paſtures, woods, mills, fiſhings, and whatſoever pertains thereto, coals, coal-heughs, with courts of plea, herezelds, bloodwits, merchets, fines, amerciaments of the ſaid courts, heading, pitt, and gallows, outfangthief, infangthief, common paſturage, free ingreſs and regreſs, and with all and ſundry other liberties, commodities, profits, eaſements, and righteous pertinents thereof whatſoever, as well not named as named, as well under the earth as above, far and near, pertaining to our ſaid burgh of Perth, and others *reſpectivè*, particularly and generally above written, with their pertinents, or that may juſtly appertain and belong to the ſame, any manner of way, in time coming, freely, quietly, fully, entirely, honourably, well and in peace, without any revocation, contradiction, impediment, or obſtacle whatſoever; PAYING yearly out thereof the ſaid Provoſts, Bailies, Counſellors, Citizens, Burgeſſes, and Community of our ſaid burgh of Perth and their ſucceſſors, to us and our ſucceſſors, the foreſaid ſum of fourſcore pounds Sterling, at the feaſts of Whitſunday, and Martinmas, in winter, by equal portions allenarly, FOR all other ſervice, conſuetude, or demand; SAVING always, and reſerving, the foreſaid great cuſtom of our ſaid burgh of Perth, to us and our ſucceſſors, as ſaid is; OF WHICH ſum of fourſcore pounds Sterling for the ſaid burgage farms, we, with advice, counſel, and conſent foreſaid, now as before, have given, granted, and diſponed, and for us and our ſucceſſors perpetually confirmed, and by the tenor of this our preſent charter, give, grant, and diſpone, and for us and our ſucceſſors perpetually, confirm to our ſaid Hoſpital and poor of our ſaid burgh of Perth, in pure and perpetual alms perpetually, the foreſaid ſum of threeſcore nine pounds eight ſhillings eight pence Sterling money, given, granted, and diſponed before, and before-

For payment yearly of L. 80 Sterling of feu-farm;

Which is diſponed to the *Hoſpital* of *Perth*, and for upholding the *Bridge* of *Tay*.

fore all acts of Annexation, as ſaid is, by our ſaid moſt renowned Predeceſſors, by parts and portions, in pure and perpetual alms perpetually, to the ſaid Abbots, Priors, and Convents of St Andrew's, Scone, Cambuſkenneth, and Friars foreſaid, as is above mentioned. AND SICKLIKE, We give, grant, and diſpone, and for us and our ſucceſſors perpetually confirm, to the ſaid Provoſts and Community of the ſaid burgh of Perth, and their ſucceſſors, for upholding the ſaid Bridge of Tay, in pure and perpetual alms perpetually, the foreſaid reſidue, in Sterling money, forth of the ſaid burgage-farms, of fourſcore pounds Sterling money, which reſidue was formerly diſponed and given long before any act of annexation, as ſaid is, by our moſt renowned Predeceſſors, to the ſaid Aldermen and Community of our ſaid burgh of Perth, and their ſucceſſors, in Sterling money, for the upholding of the ſaid Bridge of Tay, in pure and perpetual alms perpetually;

To be allowed yearly by the Exchequer.

AND THEREFORE, We alſo WILL and GRANT, and for us and our ſucceſſors, ordain, command, and charge the Auditors of our Exchequer, preſent and to come, that they receive and admit yearly in all time coming, the yearly counts to be made by the Bailies of our ſaid burgh of Perth, preſent and to come, and by others in their names, of the ſaid burgage farms of our ſaid burgh of Perth, extending to the ſaid ſum of fourſcore pounds Sterling money, as ſaid is; and that they exonerate and liberate them of the ſame; and that they ſubſcribe their ſaid accounts, and the æques concerning the ſame; and that they regiſter the foreſaid accounts, exoneration, and liberation of the ſame, in the books or rolls of the ſaid Exchequer, by allocation and approbation to them of the ſum of threeſcore nine pounds eight ſhillings eight pence Sterling money, as if the ſame were paid by them to the ſaid Hoſpital and Poor, forth of the ſaid burgage-farms, diſponed and paid formerly by parts and portions to the ſaid Abbots, Priors, and Convents of St Andrew's, Scone, Cambuſkenneth, Charter-houſe and Friars foreſaid, *reſpectivè*, as ſaid is; and ſicklike, by allocation and approbation to the ſaid Bailies of our ſaid burgh of Perth, and their ſucceſſors, of the foreſaid reſidue of the ſaid burgage-farms, as being paid by themſelves to the ſuſtentation of the ſaid Bridge of Tay, as ſaid is; and that they admit, approve, and ſubſcribe their ſaid accounts, and *æquæ* of the ſame, as before this time, now in divers years laſt bygone. MOREOVER,

OVER, We, with advice, counſel, and conſent foreſaid, for us and our ſucceſſors, by the tenor of this our preſent charter, CREATE, INCORPORATE, and UNITE, in a free, regal, and royal burgh, and in one liberty and free tenement, our ſaid burgh of PERTH, lands, waters, mills, fiſhings, and pertinents of fiſhings, iſlands, bridges, muirs, offices, liberties, privileges, and others above written: AND We will and grant, that the taking of one only ſeiſin at the Court-houſe of our ſaid burgh of Perth, ſhall ſtand and be ſufficient for our ſaid burgh of Perth, and the haill premiſſes, notwithſtanding that the ſame lie not contiguous together, and that the ſame lie in divers parts and places, anent which we, for us and our ſucceſſors, have diſpenſed, and by the tenor of this our preſent charter, diſpenſe therewith perpetually; COMMANDING and CHARGING likewiſe our Lords of Council and Seſſion, that they give, grant, and direct their edicts, letters, and proclamations, upon theſe things, and the premiſſes, in due and competent form; and ſicklike, letters of horning on a ſimple charge of ten days only, againſt rebels, refractors, and refuſers to obſerve and fulfil the premiſſes. IN TESTIMONY whereof, We have commanded to put our great ſeal to this our preſent Charter, before theſe witneſſes, our foreſaid couſins and counſellors, John Marquis of Hamilton, Earl of Arran, and Lord Aven, &c.; John Earl of Montrois, Lord Grahame, &c. our Chancellor; George Earl of Marſhall, Lord Keith, &c. Marſhall of our kingdom; our well-beloved and familiar Counſellors, Sir James Elphingſtoune of Barntoune, Knight, our Secretary; Sir Richard Cockburn younger of Clerkingtoune, Knight, Keeper of our Privy Seal; Mr John Skene, Clerk of our Rolls, Regiſter, and Council; Sir John Cockburne of Ormiſtoune, Knight, our Juſtice-Clerk; and Mr William Scott of Grangemuir, Director of our Chancellary; at Holyroodhouſe, the fifteenth day of the month of November, the year of God ſixteen hundred years, and of our reign the thirty-fourth year.

Clauſe of *Union*.

Diſpenſation for taking *Seiſin*.

The Lords of Seſſion are commanded to grant *Letters of Horning* and others upon this Charter.